

Mayor Welcomes Soviet Aviators



MAYOR LA GUARDIA greeted Soviet air heroes at summer City Hall, near World's Fair, yesterday. Photo shows, left to right: Major Mikhail Gordinenko, Mayor LaGuardia and Brig. Gen. Vladimir Kokkinaki. —Daily Worker Staff Photo

I Was a Flier Once, Myself, LaGuardia Tells Them

By Harry Raymond

Hailing them as two "good fliers," Mayor LaGuardia yesterday extended the official welcome of the city to Brigadier General Vladimir Kokkinaki and Major Mikhail Gordinenko, Soviet aviators, in a simple ceremony at World's Fair City Hall.

"Tell the General that this, as he can see, is a simple ceremony," the Mayor, a war-time Army flier, told Constantine Oumansky, Charge d'Affaires for the Soviet Union, who acted as translator.

"We always appreciate simplicity," Kokkinaki responded. "Our country is the simplest in the world. We are simple people."

"But your exhibit is not so simple," the Mayor said referring to the great Soviet World's Fair Pavilion which stands in the foreign zone.

"Do you like our building?" asked Mr. Oumansky.

"It is fine," replied LaGuardia. "The facade is beautiful. The building in this entirety is a work of art."

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The Mayor then stood with the two aviators who were forced down last Friday night in New Brunswick, Canada, 700 miles short of their goal in a Moscow-New York non-stop flight, while photographers snapped their pictures.

"Three fliers," said Oumansky as the three stood together shaking hands and chatting.

"That's right," laughed LaGuardia, "two good ones and one bum one."

The Russian aviators arrived at the World's Fair City Hall in a car escorted by two motorcycle policemen.

They were greeted by Byrnes MacDonald, secretary to the Mayor, who took them to the Mayor's office where LaGuardia and the Red Army officers informally discussed the trans-oceanic flight.

With Mr. Oumansky and the two aviators were Ivan Solodov, U. S.

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Frank P. Walsh, Veteran Labor Lawyer, Dies

Frank P. Walsh, chairman of the New York State Power Authority and a veteran labor attorney, died from a heart attack today in front of the State Supreme Court Building.

Walsh, 74, was walking alone and had reached the corner of the building when he fell. Notebooks and papers in his pockets established his identity and police called his law partner, Harold Stern, who confirmed the identification.

Walsh was an independent Democrat. His legal practice largely dealt with labor cases, although he gained additional prominence in 1936 when he defended Judge Husted L. Ritter of Florida against impeachment. Many of his associates said that he had more legal encounters involving national and state affairs than any other lawyer in the country.

Mayor LaGuardia, when informed of the death of Frank P. Walsh, said yesterday that the city had lost "a fine citizen."

"He was always ready to lend his service to his fellow citizens," the Mayor declared. "On any important issue Frank P. Walsh was always found on the right side."

Kokkinaki Phones Moscow Story of Flight to America

Both Soviet Flyers Chat With Their Headquarters and Families by Trans-Ocean Hookup; Kokkinaki Tells of Storm

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, May 2.—The two Soviet aviators now in New York after a non-stop flight from Moscow to Miscou Island in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, spoke by telephone with flight headquarters in Moscow last night.

Brig. Gen. Vladimir Kokkinaki and his navigator, Maj. Mikhail Gordinenko, spoke with their headquarters staff, their wives and with newspaper correspondents. Constantine Oumansky, Soviet Charge d'Affaires in New York, also spoke.

Following is a transcript of the highlights of Kokkinaki's conversation, which began at 10:10 P.M.

Valentina Kokkinaki (Moscow): Hello, how do you feel?

Vladimir Kokkinaki (New York): Everything's fine. I've just been X-rayed. Everything's fine. Telephone Mikhail Gordinenko (Soviet Commissar of Aviation Industry) and tell him I'm in perfect health.

Valentina Kokkinaki: What sort of reception did you get in New York?

Vladimir Kokkinaki: Good. We are now in our consulate.

Oumansky (New York): I want to tell you that Kokkinaki has just come back from an X-ray examination. Absolutely nothing wrong was found. He looks fine and is in high spirits. He's jolly, running around and danced yesterday. Everything is in absolute order.

Press Correspondent (Moscow): What were the most difficult sections of the flight?

Kokkinaki: Between Labrador and the Gulf of St. Lawrence. The most difficult meteorological conditions were here.

Correspondent: How were you making your way to New York aboard the "Moskva" (Moscow)?

Kokkinaki: There was a cyclone from Labrador on. We were compelled to fly at a height of 9,000 meters (30,000 feet). We flew at this height for four hours. The temperature fell to 48 degrees below zero Centigrade. The oxygen supply ran out. The radio compass froze. Darkness approached. Below was a thick layer of fog. In the area of Miscou Island, we flew in darkness. All these causes compelled us to make a landing at an unknown point.

Correspondent: How far were you from New York?

Kokkinaki: Nine hundred kilometers (558 miles).

Correspondent: How did you fly through the cyclones?

Kokkinaki: We went through the cyclones. We met the first cyclone over the mainland soon after we left Moscow. We went through it. We skirted a second cy-

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Flyers Cable Thanks to Stalin, Molotov, and CPSU

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, May 2.—Brig. Gen. Vladimir Kokkinaki and Maj. Mikhail Gordinenko today sent a cablegram of thanks to the Communist Party and the Soviet government "for their solicitude and attention."

The cablegram, addressed to Joseph Stalin, Vyacheslav Molotov, Klement Voroshilov and other members of the Political Bureau of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, read:

"After taking off from Moscow on April 25 at 1:19 A.M., Greenwich Time, we accomplished a flight from the U.S.S.R. to North America along the Moscow-Scandinavia-Iceland-Greenland-Labrador-St. Lawrence Bay route.

"Though having a possibility to continue flight, we decided because of difficult meteorological conditions to terminate the flight by a night landing on Miscou Island.

"The plane worked faultlessly and fuel remained for an additional 1,570 kilometers (930 miles). During the landing near the coast, the propellers and the frame of the right motor were damaged.

"We thank the Party and the government for their solicitude and attention."

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NAZIS HURL NEW WAR THREATS AS POLAND BOLSTERS ITS DEFENSE

Wallace Hails League As Symbol of Man's Hope

Calls Geneva Building Challenge to Fascism In New World

By Beth McHenry

Secretary of Agriculture Henry Wallace, speaking at the opening of the League of Nations Pavilion in the World's Fair yesterday, dedicated it as a symbol of "the hope of Man for Peace in the World of Tomorrow."

The dedication ceremony took place in mellow late afternoon sunlight upon a platform in front of the League building. A glory of color in the many flags of the League's membership flashed a challenge to the golden sky.

Mr. Wallace, who extended President Roosevelt's greetings to the several hundred persons attending the ceremony, traced the history of the League of Nations and dwelt upon the tragedies which fascist countries have visited upon the peace of the world.

CITES FAILURES

Remarking the failure of some nations that were members of the League to put "international welfare" above "temporary national expediency," he related:

"There was the failure of democracy among some countries in the League. There came the rise of dictatorships, the setting of the League and its principles, the withdrawal of powerful nations from membership in the League and the sudden disappearance of small nations that had been League members. There was the death of freedom of speech and freedom of press in the dictatorships. Barriers were set up preventing the free exchange of ideas and news between the nations of the world."

Sending a dart into the camp of the cynics who have seized upon "these dark and discouraging events" to justify their lack of faith in the "vision of peace," Mr. Wallace mentioned the wonders of science and invention which have brought good as well as new dangers in their wake.

"The most stringent attempts at censorship could not keep Pres-

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Operators' Proposal Considered By Miners

Lewis Reveals New Move as Union Foe Quits Operator Group

John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers, last night announced that the miners are considering a proposal submitted by bituminous coal operators to which an answer will be given at 2 P.M. today when negotiations resume.

The announcement by Lewis came at the end of yesterday's sessions, shortly after James Walker Carter, representative of a southern group of coal companies and chief opponents to the U.M.W.A. resigned from the employers committee of 16.

Meanwhile, the miners' policy committee of 130 members who have arrived here from all parts of the country, were held in readiness to act upon a contract.

PROBLEMS INVOLVED

Hinging upon today's crucial decisions are:

1. The lockout of 338,000 Appalachian region miners now in the second month.
2. A stoppage of all western and midwestern mines employing about 150,000 workers whose contracts expire Thursday and Friday.
3. A stoppage in the Anthracite employing 100,000 miners whose contract, although separate, is much tied in with the developments in soft coal.

Yesterday's developments were regarded as the most significant since the negotiations started March 14. The proposal was the first to come from the operators as an alternative to the demands of the miners for either a 100 per cent union shop or some other form of insurance against invasion of the field by company or rival unions.

With the main opponents to a contract with the union eliminated from their own negotiating committee, the operators were now reported to have made a proposal which goes further in giving the union the protection it demands.

"Because of legal elements involved the mine workers requested

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Confirmed



STATE ASSEMBLY yesterday confirmed Gov. Lehman's appointment of Frieda S. Miller, above, as New York State Labor Commissioner. (Story on Page 4)

New Dealers Delay Passage Of Hobbs Bill

Marcantonio, Celler and Dickstein Lead Fight Against Measure

(Special to the Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 2.—A fighting group of New Deal Congressmen held up passage of the Hobbs concentration camp bill today.

When it became clear that any effort to rush the bill through would meet with dogged resistance, Rep. William M. Colmer of Mississippi, member of the Rules Committee and one of the leading backers of the bill, moved for adjournment.

This will probably give opponents of the measure several more days in which to rally their forces. It is extremely unlikely that the bill can be taken up tomorrow because administration leaders are anxious to rush to the floor for an early and crushing defeat of the resolution disapproving of President Roosevelt's reorganization plan introduced by Rep. John Taber, R., of New York.

NEW YORKERS LEAD FIGHT

Three New York Congressmen, Reps. Emanuel Celler, Samuel Dickstein and Vito Marcantonio, led the fight against the bill to herd into concentration camps non-citizens whose deportation has been ordered

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Cream Added To 'Verboten' List in Reich

BERLIN, May 2 (UP).—An official Nazi decree today prohibited sale of any kind of cream throughout the Reich from May 15 to September 14.

The decree, which also prohibited production of cream for the same period, was understood to have been prompted by a shortage of butter and other fats.

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FDR Warns Of Air Raid Dangers in Caribbean

Decision to Expand Defense Based On Long Study

ABOARD ROOSEVELT SPECIAL, Enroute to Washington, May 2 (UP).—President Roosevelt said tonight that the possibility of attack from the air had made necessary expansion of American defenses in the Caribbean.

The Chief Executive set forth his views when asked whether his recent survey of fleet maneuvers in southern waters influenced the War Department in its creation of a Department of the Caribbean with headquarters in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Mr. Roosevelt replied that the decision was based on a study extended over a period of several years and cited the joint operations of the army and navy off Puerto Rico as one phase of it. Joint maneuvers were held two years ago, it was recalled.

He pointed out in a discussion of the defense problem that with the air arm entering the picture the maintenance of bases became more precarious.

In earlier days, he said, Guantanamo Bay or San Juan, Puerto Rico could be protected against raiding ships by a few well-placed

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A.F.L. Counsel Admits Confab With Bosses

(Special to the Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 2.—Joseph Padway, counsel for the American Federation of Labor, today virtually admitted the charges made by John L. Lewis, CIO president, to the effect that A. F. of L. officials had conferred with representatives of big business in drafting their amendments to the Wagner Act.

In a specially prepared statement to the Senate Labor Committee which was supposed to refute this charge, Padway admitted that he had conferred with attorneys representing business interests.

He said that among those "who have talked to me personally" were "lawyers with labor unions as clients" and "lawyers with employers as clients."

In response to a question by Senator Allen J. Ellender of Louisiana, Padway said that some of the attorneys for business concerns with whom he had conferred had suggested "excellent amendments."

Padway's admission followed an indignant denial by President William Green of the A. F. of L. of all the charges made by the CIO head.

When Green finished his testimony, Senator Edward Burke, sponsor of amendments to the act which would completely destroy the rights of collective bargaining, rushed over to Green and congratulated him on his statement.

"I will support you in any way that is not prejudicial to your case," Burke said.

Poles Hold 1,300,000 Under Arms In Crisis

Decree Powers Given Warsaw President for 6 Months

BERLIN, May 2 (UP).—The Nazi press increased the tempo of its anti-Polish attacks today, publishing thinly disguised threats of a possible thrust against Poland unless the Warsaw government reverses its policy.

"The times when the true position of Nazi Germany is falsely estimated on the other side of our frontiers are for us always the sign of an important step in the realm of foreign policy," said the newspaper Nauchtaube. "That should have been learned already in Warsaw."

The Lokalanzeiger attacked Great Britain and France for their pledges of armed aid to the Poles in event of aggression.

POLAND BOOSTS ARMY STRENGTH

WARSAW, May 2 (UP).—Poland tonight doubled the strength of her army officers under arms and prepared to give special powers to President Ignacy Moscicki as precautions against any lightning Nazi blow resulting from Hitler's demands.

The ministry of defense issued a decree prolonging the training period of reserve officers from four to 10 weeks, thereby doubling the number of officers in command of an estimated 1,300,000 troops being held on a wartime footing. Many of the troops are stationed along the German frontier and in the vicinity of Danzig.

The cabinet asked the special powers from 71-year-old President Moscicki at a meeting during the day.

TO ANSWER HITLER

The emergency powers bill will be presented to Parliament Friday immediately after Foreign Minister Col. Josef Beck publicly answers Hitler's demand for Danzig, the right to build a 15-mile-wide German road across the Polish Corridor and the Fuehrer's renunciation of the 1934 Polish-German treaty of friendship and non-aggression.

The bill would permit Moscicki to rule by decree until November.

Beck, it was understood, will reject Hitler's demands and warn of Poland's determination to fight—supposedly with the armed aid of Britain and France—if Nazi Germany attempts to impose any "one-sided solution" of the Danzig and Corridor problems.

Furthermore, it was said that Beck will advance counter-demands for increased Polish rights in the free city of Danzig.

ARMY HEAD CALLED

The cabinet met today with Premier Gen. Felicjan Slawoj-Skladkowski and agreed to the text of the "emergency powers" bill which will be introduced in parliament immediately after Beck speaks there at 11 A.M. (5 A.M. EST) Friday in answer to Hitler's Reichstag speech.

Under the special powers, President Moscicki would have sweeping authority to regulate all economic, financial and defense matters without obtaining approval of parliament.

He would be restricted, however, from tampering with the value of the Zloty, which will be kept at its present level.

Government officials admitted that the action of the cabinet was taken because of the rising tension due to Nazi Germany's claims on Danzig and what is regarded in government circles as a Nazi attempt to cut Poland-off from the Baltic.

This reported Nazi policy led to speculation by government organs that Poland might be compelled to counter Hitler's demands by establishing a formal protectorate over Danzig.

Poland's reply to Hitler will be given first by a written answer to be handed over to the German government by the Polish embassy in Berlin and then by Beck's speech to parliament.

Geoghan Aide Admits Guilt In Kings Graft

Enters Guilty Plea to Four Counts Charging Corruption

William F. McGuinness, Assistant District Attorney in Kings County for the past several years, yesterday admitted guilt to corruption charges by pleading guilty to four counts before Supreme Court Justice Francis D. McCurn.

Head downcast and extremely nervous, the assistant prosecutor startled the courtroom by his surprise plea.

He was represented by his counsel Leo Healy, who said as the first count was read off by the court clerk:

"The defendant pleads guilty."

As each of the other corruption charges were read, Healy repeated admission of guilt for the defendant.

Head WPA Prober Bared As Aide of Fr. Coughlin

By Adam Lapin

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, May 2.—H. Ralph Burton, the investigator who has been hounding WPA workers in New York for the House Appropriations Committee, has been prominently connected with subversive movements.

This correspondent learned today that Burton was a high official in the employ of Father Coughlin, the fascist radio priest of Detroit.

Burton was campaign manager for Father Coughlin's reactionary Union Party during the 1936 presidential campaign for the State of Maryland with headquarters at the Emerson Hotel in Baltimore.

Disclosure of Burton's unsavory connections completed the striking parallel between the WPA investigating committee and the Dies Committee's antics circus last year.

Testimony yesterday by Ralph de Solis and Joseph T. Barrett, two Dies Committee witnesses, made the appropriations committee session appear strangely similar to the three-ring Red-baiting circus which had previously been under the exclusive direction of the Rep. Martin Dies of Orange, Texas.

Burton's reactionary background makes the resemblance perfect.

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Burton also acted as an attorney for the patrioteering Daughters of the American Revolution. Last year he was employed by the Sheppard Committee during its investigation of WPA political activities.

He was subsequently reported to have asked WPA officials here for a job, telling them that his investigators had convinced him that the

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Communist Wins by Big Vote in French Election

By Sam Russell

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

PARIS, May 2.—Communist representation in the French Chamber of Deputies was increased to 74 by election Sunday of Eugene Jardon at Montlucon.

Jardon replaces Socialist deputy Marx Dormoy, who was elected to the Senate recently. Jardon topped the first round of the election last Sunday and thus became the People's Front representative on the second ballot. A deputy must obtain an absolute majority for election.

In the run-off, Jardon polled 9,849 votes as against the 6,137 cast for a Radical.

Likewise the municipal elections in Clamart gave the Communist list top placing, inflicting a heavy defeat on the fascist French Social Party of Col. Francois de La Rocque.

The democratic majority in the Clamart Council was thus increased by 12, the number of new councilmen elected.

In a parliamentary by-election at Mulhouse, near the German frontier, the reactionary majority was cut by 500 votes. The La Rocque candidate lost 2,000 of the votes cast for him in 1936.

The election results showed that the statement of trade union leader Benoit Franchon at a Paris May Day demonstration yesterday, that France is still People's Front France, was no idle boast.

Theme Center at Night



TRYLON AND PERISPHERE seen across the fountains on Constitution Mall of the World's Fair with the huge statue of George Washington visible against the lights.

Japanese Closing In on Shanghai Foreign Areas

Demand More Control of Districts Under French, British, American Supervision; Want to Curb Chinese Patriotic Activities

SHANGHAI, Wednesday, May 3 (UP).—Japan's armed forces put additional pressure on authorities of the Anglo-American area of the International Settlement and the French concession today in a final effort to force repression of the Chinese national government in the foreign-controlled areas.

Japanese patrols around the borders of the foreign areas were increased and there were some indications that British and French authorities might yield to demands contained in a joint statement of the Japanese army and navy commander.

These demands included: Suppression of all Chinese patriotic activities in the foreign areas "including those of third power nationals who are inciting the Chinese to harbor anti-Japanese sentiments."

Permission for Japanese armed forces to take whatever measures may be necessary for the "preservation of peace and order" in the settlement and the concession.

4,000 Strike in Indian Textile Mills

BOMBAY, India, May 2.—A strike involving 4,000 workers in cotton mills at Cawnpore, United Provinces, threatened today to develop into a general strike throughout the city. The cotton workers struck because of a wage dispute.

Biggest Plane in U. S. to Take To Air Soon

SANTA MONICA, Cal., May 2 (UP).—The largest landplane in the United States, the Douglas DC-4, within a few days will start a series of test tours of the nation's commercial air lines, flying first to Oakland.

Airliner Hits Grounded Plane While Taxiing

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla., May 2 (UP).—An Eastern Air Line plane carrying nine persons went out of control after landing here today and swerved into a stationary National Air Lines ship. No one was injured.

Capt. W. T. Jamison, pilot of the Eastern plane said the accident occurred when the tail-wheel mechanism locked as the ship was taxiing.

Hitler's Fleet Heads Home From Spain

GIBRALTAR, May 2 (UP).—The German battle squadron sailed westward from the straits of Gibraltar, enroute homeward after visits are paid at Lisbon and Le-Ferrol.

After the departure of the German warships, the British battleship Ramillies, the destroyers Gallant and Active, the submarine Severn and four French destroyers resumed the positions which they occupied before the arrival of the Nazi ships with the Ramillies half way between Malaga and Gibraltar and the others rounding Gibraltar.

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WE GET NO CHEERS IN MADRID, WAILS FRANCO PAPER; WOMEN STILL SING SONGS OF REPUBLICAN FIGHTERS

By Sam Russell
(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

PARIS, May 2.—"Before the women of Madrid sang and washed. Now if they do sing, it is only the Song of the Fifth Regiment and the Internationale."

This magnificent tribute to the iron will and determination of the women of Madrid has just appeared in the Falangist paper, *Voz de Espana*. It revealed that despite the ferocious repression carried through by 100 "judges" and 20 court-martials sitting permanently, Madrid was still unsafe for Franco.

After insults to the women of Madrid, the fascist writer states, "One would have thought that the Madrid population would have rejoiced at the arrival of our soldiers and would have carried them in triumph to the Puerto del Sol. But no, when the crowd went to meet the first Moorish troops that crossed the Toledo Bridge, I

swear that I did not hear a single cheer."

Other incidents showing the temper of the Spanish people were caused by the visit of Nazi warships to Spanish ports. In Malaga the presence of the Germans was resented. Many Spanish merchants refused to sell food to sailors off the pocket-battleship *Deutschland*, saying that the Spanish population should have preference over foreigners. These merchants were jailed by the German military command at Malaga.

C. P. MANIFESTO

This spirit, manifested a hundred different ways, justified the statement of the Spanish Communist Party in its May Day manifesto.

"We repeat that the struggle is not over," it said. "We will fight on and we will conquer. Spain will soon be once more in the fray alongside those

who are fighting against democracy and liberty."

Pillorying the inaction of the bourgeois democracies and the Second International, the manifesto declared:

"Only the U.S.S.R. has helped us against the aggressors from the beginning to the very end of the war. Treason brought about defeat of our people, but the struggle served above all to show the world that the strongest weapon in defense against fascist aggression is unity of all democratic forces."

"The traitors pass, but the people remains, and our heroic people tell the world that the struggle for the reconquest of Spain will continue, even under the most fearful conditions."

The manifesto concluded with an appeal to the democrats "to help us cast out the German and Italian armies by organizing resistance to fascism through formation of a bloc of the peaceful countries."

Britain Ousts More Agents Of Gestapo

Action Against Nazis Taken in Face of Reprisal Threat

LONDON, May 2 (UP).—The British government today ordered the expulsion of nearly 40 German residents in an effort to stamp out subversive Nazi activities despite threats from Berlin.

The Home Office disclosed that eight German nationals, several of whom are accused of being agents of the Nazi Gestapo (secret police), already had been served with orders to leave the country or had left and that about 30 others would be asked to leave within two weeks.

The expulsion orders were issued after secret investigation of the Nazis' activities by the special branch of Scotland Yard.

Hitler's own Nazi party organ, the *Voelkischer Beobachter* in Berlin, served the warning of Reich retaliation, probably involving reprisals in the form of the expulsion of Britons from the Reich.

RELATIVES THREATENED
Home Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare, in a statement before the House of Commons on April 6, revealed that the government had ordered the deportation of three persons connected with the Gestapo and other Nazi organizations.

The three persons, whose identities were revealed yesterday, were accused by Hoare of trying to intimidate German refugees in Britain, telling them that their relatives still in the Reich would "suffer" unless they sent money back to the Reich.

Hoare, at that time, said further investigation of German residents would be made and "appropriate action taken if necessary."

The first three Germans to be expelled were O. G. Karlows, Nazi Party organizer in Britain; E. P. Himmelman, his principal lieutenant, and Johanna Wolf, connected with the Nazi labor front and travel organization.

The German government immediately retaliated by expelling three British businessmen, long residents of Hamburg, in what was admitted to be a "reprisal" for the British action.

Hoare, at that time, said further investigation of German residents would be made and "appropriate action taken if necessary."

"That may be so," Hoare-Belisha replied, "but it is not customary for this country to repudiate payments which are legally contracted."

"What about America?" asked an unidentified member.

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Speedy Action in Soviet Hockey



FURIOUS SKATING marks the opening game in the championship hockey matches held in Moscow recently between the Spartak and Dynamo teams. Growing ever more popular, the sport attracts thousands of spectators to matches all over the country.

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but whose native lands won't accept them.

Celler, who filed a minority report against the bill in the Judiciary Committee, charged that it was unconstitutional because it would deprive non-citizens of a fair trial and because it might mean imprisonment for life without a conviction for any crime.

Leaning on a number of decisions by the Supreme Court in cases affecting non-citizens, Celler said:

"There is a false notion in this House that the constitution does not apply to aliens. The constitution does apply to aliens in its entirety."

Every inch of the way the bill was fought by the New Yorkers backed up by a considerable number of other liberal Congressmen who have been greatly disturbed during the past few days by the witch-hunt against aliens which is being conducted by reactionary members of the House.

MARCANTONIO LEADS OFF

The bill came up after 2 P.M. which would have required swift steam-roller tactics to secure passage before adjournment. As soon as the measure reached the floor, Marcantonio asked for a quorum call, thus gaining valuable time.

Dickstein, who is chairman of the House Immigration Committee, then charged that the bill was out of order and was not properly before the House. He said that it belonged to the Immigration Committee by virtue of its subject matter.

"You might as well send a bill on farm legislation to the Immigration Committee," he said.

Rep. Sam Hobbs, of Alabama, sponsor of the bill, said in reply that his masterpiece "has nothing whatsoever to do with immigration, nothing to do with naturalization, nothing to do with deportation." Hobbs was upheld by Speaker William B. Bankhead.

UNCONSTITUTIONAL

Marcantonio and other liberal Congressmen held that this admission was further proof of the unconstitutionality of the bill. They said that the previous contention of Hobbs and his supporters had been that the bill is constitutional because it is an immigration rather than a criminal bill.

The only issue before the House today was a rule brought forward by the Rules Committee to take up the Hobbs bill for two hours debate equally shared by both sides.

This rule was passed with opponents of the bill not opposing the rule particularly because it gave them at least some opportunity to be heard.

Watch for a new Labor Sports series sizing up the Trade Union Baseball League entries, now in spring training.

\$2,960 Wired To Aid Spain's Refugee Artists

Writers Contribute to Fund for Colleagues Now in France

The sum of \$2,960 has been wired to France for the relief of intellectuals in refugee camps by the Spanish Intellectual Aid, a recently formed committee headed by the novelist, Louis Bromfield, which works with a Paris committee for intellectuals of which Renaud de Jouvenal is President, and Rene Blech, Secretary.

The Spanish Intellectual Aid today announced through its Executive Secretary, Frederick E. Menaker, affiliation with the Spanish Refugee Relief Campaign which is conducting a million dollar drive for aid to 400,000 Spanish refugees in France, and which seeks to establish them in those Latin American countries which have agreed to admit them.

Among the sponsors of the Spanish Intellectual Aid are Maxwell Anderson, Prof. Franz Boas, Dr. Harvey Cushing, Lynn Fontaine, President Frank P. Graham, Fannie Hurst, Alfred Lunt, Homer Saint-Gaudens, Lawrence Tibbett, and Hendrik W. Van Loon.

Other affiliates of the Spanish Refugee Relief Campaign include the American Women's Committee for Spanish Refugees, of which Dr. Mary E. Woolley is Honorary Chairman; The Physicians and Scientists Committee of which Dr. Edward Barsky is Executive Secretary; The Musicians Committee of which Pablo Casals is Honorary Chairman; The Social Workers Committee, of which Lillian D. Wald is Honorary Chairman; The Trade Union Committee for Spanish Refugees headed by 12 international Presidents; The Federation of Faculty Committees, of which Prof. Lyman Bradley is Chairman; The Negro People's Committee of which Paul Robeson is International Chairman; The Foster Parents Plan, of which Eric Muggerside is Executive Secretary; The Civil Service Committee, of which Louis Lehman is Chairman.

Hungarians End Talk With Nazi Officials

BERLIN, May 2 (UP).—Count Paul Teleki and Count Stephen Oskay, Hungarian Premier and Foreign Minister, left for Budapest by special train today after an official visit. Foreign Minister Joachim von Ribbentrop and other officials bade them farewell.

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Wallace Calls League Symbol Of Man's Hope

Calls Geneva Building Challenge to Fascism In New World

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dent Roosevelt's appeal for non-aggression from becoming known in every country in the world," he reminded those present.

PEACE BY ACTION

Stressing the necessity for being realistic and working hard to achieve peace, he quoted the words of President Roosevelt which are emblazoned on the building:

"Peace must be affirmatively reached for. It cannot just be wished for. It cannot just be waited for."

Mr. Wallace expressed his regret at the inability of Joseph Avenol, Secretary-General of the League of Nations, to be present to dedicate the building. Adrian Felt, Commissioner-General of the League's Pavilion, read a moving message from Mr. Avenol, which identified "our dilemma today" as:

"... Whether we are to make peace and avoid war, or whether we are to drift into war before making peace. The small nations, powerless to keep up in the infernal race, stand aside and wait for the revelations of fate. Such is the position of many of the members of the League of Nations. Are they to be delivered irremediably to the rule of force, or will they, in an association founded on the reduction of armaments and on international law and taught by the lessons of tragic experience, recover the hope of a stable and lasting peace?"

Other speakers at the dedication of the League of Nations Pavilion included Surgeon-General Thomas Farran, Assistant Secretary of Labor Charles V. McLaughlin, Grover A. Whalen and Mrs. James Lees Laidlaw, chairman of the American Committee for the League Pavilion.

YMCA HOUSE DEDICATED

Another dedication took place yesterday afternoon when the Young Men's Christian Association building, "Friendship House," was officially opened. A packed house filled the large restful rooms and crowded against the walls, prominently decorated with giant photographs of American youth at work, studying and at play.

Richard W. Lawrence, president of the YMCA, presided at the ceremony which was broadcast over a national hookup. He dedicated the building in the "spirit of the Association itself whose motto is 'Honor of God and Service of Youth.'"

Rev. Frederick S. Fleming, rector of historic Trinity Church, in his address at the dedication of the YMCA building, declared the necessity for reaching the hopes which the "world of tomorrow" holds for American youth.

"The world of tomorrow," he observed, "is exceedingly rich in promise. The issue must now be decided as to what we shall do with our great world of modern science."

Mrs. Cleveland E. Dodge, president of the New York Young Women's Christian Association, brought the greetings of her organization to the dedication and spoke warmly of the great ideals which "are the only sure foundation for democracy."

Grove Whalen, in a brief speech, welcomed the appearance of the YMCA Building.

FDR Warns of Air Raid Peril to U. S. In the Caribbean

Decision Urging Expansion of Defense Preparations in Islands Based on His Long Study of Issue

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guns on the headlines. Now, however, the fighting craft of the air must be considered.

Tomorrow the President will confer with reorganization experts on the next phase of his recommendations for government consolidation and coordination. He made it clear, however, that the next plan, dealing either with intra-departmental or interdepartmental matters, would not be submitted to Congress until late this week or early next.

He was pressed for information on the foreign situation but replied that while he was in possession of a sheaf of reports from the State

Department he had read only the gist of them and consequently was not prepared to comment.

DISCUSSES TAXES

The President was asked what he thought of Hitler's speech of last Friday and answered that he read the newspaper text of it. Other than that he had nothing to say.

Mr. Roosevelt then was bombarded with queries regarding the legislative taxation program. He was asked whether he believed the program would resolve itself into merely a continuation of the present nuisance and corporate levies. As a minimum requirement, he suggested that the nuisance taxes would have to be extended inasmuch as they expire in June.

Pittman Would Extend U. S. Sea Boundaries

WASHINGTON, May 2 (UP).—Chairman Key Pittman, D., Nev., of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, proposed today that the international coastal boundary of the United States be extended out 12 miles from the mainland. Territorial waters are now recognized as extending three miles from land.

He said extension would be of value in the event of an attempted enemy blockade. The extension could be effected through treaty action by the State Department, he said.

DeValera Scores Conscriptation for Ulster Counties

DUBLIN, May 2 (UP).—Prime Minister Eamon De Valera of Eire, the former Irish Free State, today sharply criticized any efforts to apply British military conscription to the six Ulster counties of Northern Ireland.

De Valera, who last week cancelled his scheduled sailing for the United States because of the "grave event" of British peacetime conscription, made his statement before a session of the Dail Eireann or Irish Parliament.

The Eire Government, De Valera announced, has protested "in the strongest possible terms" to Britain against the conscription measure. Although the conscription bill left a loophole for Northern Ireland, DeValera contended that it was, in effect, a proposal to conscript Irishmen for the British army.

Nazi General Resumes Trip To Tripoli

CATANIA, Sicily, May 2 (UP).—Gen. Walter von Brauchitsch and Gen. Alberto Pariani, chiefs of staff of Germany and Italy, resumed their interrupted trip by airplane to Tripoli today after receiving favorable weather reports.

They were grounded here yesterday by bad weather across the Mediterranean. Gen. Brauchitsch will inspect Italy's military preparations in North Africa.

Nazis Preparing Minute Check-up On Religious Activities, Vienna Hears

VIENNA, May 2 (UP).—In the near future Hitler will subject all churches in Germany to a basic uniformity law comprising a sharp check on detailed religious activities, it was believed here today.

This opinion was strengthened by publication in the official Wiener Zeitung of the new law on reorganization of revenues of the Catholic Church in the province of "Cot-

mark" (Austria). A significant prelude to the law stated it was "subject to later uniform regulation throughout the Reich."

High points of the law include: 1. Cancellation of support formerly given the Catholic Church from the state budget and special funds derived from property confiscated from the church in the reign of Franz Josef II.

2. Permission for the Roman Catholic, Lutheran, Presbyterian and old Catholic churches to levy taxes on their own communicants for the support of the church.

3. Establishment of the right of state authorities to approve or disapprove each church's budgetary expenditures in advance and to inspect church books at will.

Propaganda Bill Of Fascists Here Put at 50 Million

WASHINGTON, May 2 (UP).—Rep. Samuel Dickstein, D., N. Y., told the House Post Office Committee today that Nazi-Fascist governments have spent more than \$50,000,000 in the United States during the past five years on a "well-planned and organized system of propaganda."

He urged approval of his bill to ban from the mails any matter that might cause "racial or religious hatred or bigotry or intolerance."

Every reader of the Daily Worker will influence voters at the polls. One new reader may mean four new votes for Communist candidates for City Council!

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CRACK SOVIET AIRMEN, Vladimir Kokhinski and Mikhail Gordinenko, are greeted at the World's Fair by Grover Whalen Monday after they arrived in New York from Canada after a 4,000-mile hop from Moscow. Left to right are: Constantine Oumansky, Soviet Charge d'Affaires; Gordinenko, Kokhinski and Whalen.

Surplus Witch Hunt Calls Welfare Head

Brooklyn Republican Announces Subpoena in City Council; Keegan Bill to Revise Correction Administration Passes

City Councilman Abner Surplus, Brooklyn Republican, attempted to whip up attention to his witch-hunt against the administration of relief here by announcing in City Council yesterday that he had served a subpoena on Welfare Commissioner William Hodson to appear before his investigating committee.

Mr. Hodson, reached at his office, had no comment to make other than he would be "very pleased to appear."

The Surplus committee has been met with widespread hostility throughout the city, particularly from the Workers Alliance, which has charged the reactionary Councilman with attempting to cut relief through red-scare tactics.

Commissioner Hodson is to appear before the committee next Friday morning at 10 o'clock. The hearing will be held in closed session.

KEEGAN BILL PASSES

Meanwhile, the Council passed by a vote of 24 to 2 a bill sponsored by Councilman Charles E. Keegan, Bronx Democrat, to establish a three platoon system in the Department of Correction.

In presenting the bill Mr. Keegan attacked Commissioner of Correction Austin H. McCormick, charging that he had "intimidated and coerced" 700 employees in the Correction Department during a referendum on the bill.

Mrs. Genevieve B. Earle, Brooklyn Fusionist, voted against the Keegan bill.

A similar bill passed by the Council was vetoed by the Mayor. The present bill also provides for removal of the Commissioner by a petition to the Supreme Court for failure to comply.

BACK REFUGEE BILL

The Council, prior to its regular meeting yesterday, met in special session and received the budget passed upon by the Board of Estimate.

It was referred to the Finance Committee, which will hold a public hearing on the budget Friday.

The Council members were unanimous in passing a resolution introduced by Councilman Louis Hollander, A.L.P., to memorialize Congress to pass the "Refugee Bill" introduced by Senator Robert Wagner, which would provide for the admittance of 20,000 refugees into this country.

Following the adjournment of the meeting, Council President Newbold Morris met with a delegation of seven Negroes representing the Greater New York Coordinating Committee for Employment.

The committee, headed by its executive secretary, Arnold P. Johnson, urged Mr. Morris to intervene with World's Fair President Grover Whalen to put a stop to discrimination against Negro job seekers at the Fair.

Mr. Arnold told Mr. Morris that his organization had tried five times running to see Mr. Whalen on the matter without success.

"We are not trying to embarrass the Fair or the purpose of the Fair," Mr. Arnold told the Council President. "But we are determined to get fair play in the employment of people."

The committee leader asserted that "the policy of Mr. Grover Whalen in discriminating against Negroes is very distasteful to us and American citizens generally."

He urged Mr. Morris to meet with the Fair's Board of Directors and discuss the matter with them.

Mr. Morris, it was understood, told the committee that he would meet with the Fair officials and would see Mayor LaGuardia, whom he said, "is interested in the problem."

Sells 26 Copies CPSU History, Sets New Goal

"Artie" Deutsch is the organizer of a large industrial Party Branch of workers in the music industry. He is also Educational Director of the 11th Assembly District, and right now is attending one of Comrade Markoff's classes on the study of the History of the C. P. S. U. (Bolsheviks). Quite a busy comrade! But Artie has found time to sell single-handed twenty-six copies of the History of the C. P. S. U. How did he do it? Let him tell the story himself.

"I've been literature director of three different branches at different times. And I maintain that the secret of mass distribution of literature—so far as the individual comrade goes—is having the literature with you!"

"You can't sell it if you haven't got it with you to sell! Whether you carry it in your pocket, or under your arm, or in your brief case, have it with you and you will constantly think of it, and constantly try to sell it to everyone you meet. You see this package? It contains two copies of the 'History.' I don't know yet who are the lucky two people who are going to buy them. But you can depend on it before the day is over, two more people will have their noses stuck deep in the pages of this marvelous book, and in that way will be closer to the Party. I keep a list of the names of every one I sell a copy to. Because I intend to follow them up and recruit them later."

"Where did you sell most of them?" this reporter asked.

"Seventeen were sold right on the union floor of Local 802. There's nothing like selling to your own fellow workers and shopmates, because then you can always meet them and discuss the book further, and bring them closer to the Party. A few others I sold in a cafeteria where I frequently drop in for a bite, where I know a lot of workers. You know, I challenged another Branch Organizer in my Section, in the spirit of socialist competition, to see who could sell more books. He's sold twelve already—less than half of what I sold, but still he bears watching, because he has a way of getting up steam and sneaking up on you. When I sell fifty then I'll know I have him beat."

Boys Town Head Would Reform Reformatories

ST. LOUIS, April 30 (UP).—Father E. J. Flanagan, founder and director of Boys Town, Neb., tonight called for a reform of reformatories, scoring them as "state-maintained schools of crime."

He told the Central States Probation and Parole Conference here that the accent on juvenile delinquency must be shifted to prevention, although "there will always be those who fall society." He said, however, that fully 90 per cent of those committed to tax supported institutions could be rehabilitated.

"Repression, regimentation and harsh discipline can accomplish nothing, except deepen the anti-social sentiment and fix the criminal bent," he declared. "Boys enter the reformatory in a fairly plastic state of mind. They leave educated in crime and habituated to violence."

T.W.U. Urges Assembly To Vote Down Wicks Bill

Hogan, in Letter to 150 Legislators, Calls It an 'Insidious Attack' on Job Security, Seniority, and Bargaining for 55,000 Workers

The Wicks transit bill governing the status of New York City transit workers under unification, which passed the State Senate late Monday night, was denounced yesterday as an "insidious attack" upon the job security, seniority and pension rights and the right of collective bargaining for transit workers, by the Transport Workers Union.

The CIO unions in an appeal sent to the Assembly last night urged the defeat of the bill.

In a letter addressed individually to the 150 members of the Assembly, Austin Hogan, president of the TWU's New York local which has contracts covering the city's 55,000 transit workers, declares that all transit workers are opposed to the measure.

The original Wicks' Bill, Hogan said, "sought in 80 words to pervert the principles of civil service into a device to rob transit workers of their jobs, seniority, pensions and collective bargaining rights."

HOLDS EVILS

The final bill, he declared, "seeks to inflict the same evils in 1,000 words."

"The Wicks Bill," said Hogan's letter, "has been condemned and is opposed by every civic-conscious organization in this state. We have, under separate cover, sent you a list of more than 800 organizations, representing more than 2,000,000 voters throughout the state, which have resolved themselves against the Wicks Bill."

"These organizations included affiliates of both the American Federation of Labor and the Congress of Industrial Organizations; posts of the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Catholic War Veterans and Jewish War Veterans; chapters and branches of the Holy Name Society, Knights of Columbus; and other church, civic, political, labor, fraternal and small business men's groups."

"We call your attention again to the letter of Mayor LaGuardia to the Senate Public Service Committee of March 31 wherein the Mayor of the City of New York states that the Wicks Bill is premature and ill advised and urges that the matter of labor relations for New York City's unified transit system be left to the City of New York where it rightfully belongs under Home Rule."

Seismologist Reports Quake In Mexico

CLEVELAND, May 2 (UP).—Father John S. Joliat, seismologist of John Carroll University, today reported a "violent" earthquake 1,825 miles southwest of Cleveland.

He said he believed the tremor might be in the area of Mexico City. He said his seismograph recorded the disturbance first at 8:20 A.M. E.S.T. and again at 8:25 to 9:15.

MEXICO CITY, May 2 (UP).—A severe earthquake, estimated to have occurred about 1,150 miles southwest of Mexico City, was recorded on the seismograph at Tacubaya observatory at 7:18 A.M. E.S.T., today.

MineUnionGets Proposal by Coal Operators

Lewis Reveals New Move as Union Foe Quits Operator Group

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a recess until 2 P.M. tomorrow," Lewis stated in his announcement.

Carter, president of the Carter Coal Co. of New York, was the spokesman on the negotiating committee for mine owners of the Pocahontas-Tug River Area of Southern West Virginia and parts of Virginia. It is the companies in this group who have figured frequently in the claims of the A. F. of L. chartered Progressive Miners of America for its demand to be recognized as collective bargaining agent.

For two weeks the Pocahontas-Tug River group has decried the operators among themselves on how far to go in meeting the demands of the union. Now a number of these southern operators, who have continually pressed for a break with the UMWA, are threatening to break away from the Appalachian conference.

It was Mr. Carter's company that carried through the suit that forced the Supreme Court decision invalidating the original Guffey Coal Act.

Dr. John R. Steelman, Federal conciliator, appeared more optimistic yesterday on prospects of a settlement. But neither he, nor either side made official comment.

The show-down point was to be reached yesterday at 11 A.M. when miners were to be given a final answer and the policy committee was to take its final action. But the Carter resignation and the more apparent agreement among the operators, prompted the postponement.

Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins was in New York last night. She told reporters that in part her visit concerned the coal situation but made no further comment on developments.

Take the County pages to your community every Wednesday. Prepare now to elect Communist candidates to the City Council!

DAYTONA POLICEMAN IDENTIFIES TWO LYNCHERS OF NEGRO TAXI DRIVER

(Special to the Daily Worker)

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla., May 2.—Two accused young lynchers were still at large today, after police Constable James Durden charged them with the killing of 43-year-old Lee Snell, Negro taxi driver.

Snell, a World War veteran, is survived by a wife and adopted child.

Testifying Saturday night before a coroner's jury, Durden positively identified Everett and Earl Blackwelder as the slayers, stating that he was transporting Snell from Daytona to nearby DeLand after the Blackwelders had made threats against Snell's life.

"I was about three and a half miles west of the city," Durden testified, "when a Ford coupe sped past me and then stopped and turned across the road about 100 yards ahead of me."

SHOT IN BACK

The Blackwelder brothers, according to Durden, attacked Snell, who attempted to flee when Durden got out of the car. A gunshot stopped him.

While Durden tussled with one of the Blackwelders, another fired almost point-blank into Snell's back, killing him. There were reports a third lyncher was involved.

PROTEST IN MURPHY

The Negro cab driver had been involved in the accidental death of 12-year-old Ben Blackwelder, Jr.,

brother of the two lynchers, whose bicycle collided with Snell's cab early Saturday. Snell stopped his car immediately to help the youngster, and was held by police for county authorities. Constable Durden entered a manslaughter charge against him.

Jacksonville representatives of the International Labor Defense wired Florida's Senators, Representative Hendricks and Attorney General Frank Murphy at Washington, and Governor Cone, demanding action against the lynchers.

Big Negro Vote Forecast Despite Miami KKK Threat

MIAMI, Fla., May 2 (UP).—A Ku Klux Klan demonstration last night, warning Negroes not to vote in today's city nominating election caused a larger number of Negroes than usual to decide to cast their ballots, Sam Solomon, Negro leader, said.

Cards, lettered in red, were thrown from automobiles that formed a parade through the Negro district last night. The cards said that "respectable Negro citizens are not voting tomorrow." All were signed "K.K.K." The demonstrators left a dummy hung from a pole bearing this card, "This Negro voted." Fiery crosses were burned near Negro districts.

"This demonstration really inspired the Negroes to vote today," Solomon said.

Device Shows Difference of Millionth Volt

Can Measure Temperature on Both Sides of a Leaf

STORRS, Conn., May 2 (UP).—

Perfection of a potentiometer that measures the temperature on the top and under side of a leaf at the same time and records electrical potentials as small as one-millionth of a volt, was reported today in the laboratory of Dr. Raymond H. Wallace, professor of botany at Connecticut State College.

Declared more sensitive than other similar devices now in use, and costing about one-third as much to build, the instrument was regarded invaluable to scientists in the measurement of temperature, voltage, humidity, light, electrical resistance and currents and in determining the exact acidity or alkalinity of solutions.

The potentiometer employs a thermo-couple and a photo-electric cell. They supply electrical impulses to a galvanometer which, in turn, directs a light against two other photo-electric cells operating a stylus. The stylus records the variations on a wax-coated cylindrical chart.

50 Escape From Hotel Fire in Greenfield, Mass.

GREENFIELD, Mass., May 2 (UP).—Fifty guests escaped unharmed early today when fire caused estimated damage of \$85,000 to the Winlow Hotel.

The fire started on the ground floor and spread to all five floors of the building. Guests fled both from the hotel and from an adjacent lodging house.

Hines Gives Up Rule Over Tammany Club

Thirty years of Tammany district leadership ended yesterday for James J. Hines, who has been convicted of selling his influence to the Dutch Schultz lottery gang.

The Democratic county committee of Hines' 11th Assembly District accepted his resignation and elected Arthur J. W. Hilly, former corporation counsel, to succeed him.

Hines has submitted the resignation March 10. Another Tammany chieftain, Marshall Ingram, of the Seventh District, also resigned, saying his health was bad. He also had trouble getting patronage. He was succeeded by State Senator John J. Buckley.

Youth Pioneers Move East For YCL's 9th Convention

Streamlined Caravan of Youth Comes Here, May 11

A streamlined caravan will carry the children of pioneers from West back East this week, as hundreds of America's finest come to New York for the ninth national convention of the Young Communist League, which has its grand opening at Madison Square Garden Thursday evening, May 11.

From Colorado and California and points between, preparations are now under way for the trek to the convention. From Chicago two chartered buses and a half dozen large automobiles will bring the 65 delegates from the Illinois District.

The Chicago Y.C.L. is justly proud of its delegation, in which young persons from many industries and professions are represented for these are the boys and girls who have taken the lead in organizing the youth in the heart of America, the Midwest.

FROM ALL INDUSTRIES

Typical of all American youth, at the crossroads of life, with many abilities and few opportunities, this delegation includes the children of steel workers, of miners and packing house workers. There are the children from Catholic homes, from Jewish and Protestant ones, children of Polish immigrants, of others who came from Ireland and Scotland and Italy and the rest of Europe, children of pioneers.

Twenty year old Francis Blada, president of the Tri-City Club in Granite City Illinois, a steel town in which his parents had 9 children and not much to feed them, brought all the broken hopes of his generation with him into the YCL—the hope of jobs that were not available, of schools too costly to attend, of possessions every boy and girl longs for but few can have. He became president of his club, which is an affiliate of the YCL and is a hundred per cent busy in the struggle to realize those hopes for himself and the rest of young America.

Joseph Zavadofsky, a Polish American youth who left his job in a packing house to fight for democracy in Spain, is likewise president of his club, the O.I.C. in Chicago. Joe knows the whos and whats of the world today and he has been doubly active in the struggle for democracy here, since he returned from Spain.

YOUTH LEADERS

Lazetta Hester, a young Negro girl, who is organizer of her section of the Y.C.L. on the South Side of Chicago, is a member of the delegation. Another girl in the leadership of Chicago's organized youth is Jane Blair, a 22-year-old girl who comes from a Steel Workers branch of the Y.C.L. Her husband works in the mills himself.

From the Indiana suburbs of the Windy City, the Calumet delegation has members from Gary, Hammond, and East Chicago too. Stanley Rykus, a young Polish American from a family of devout Catholics, is leader of the delegation. He has been chiefly responsible for building the Club Hoosier, a Y.C.L. affiliate which has taken its place as one of the most popular centers for young people in Calumet.

The Club Hoosier recently opened its new headquarters, with library and pool hall, gym and dancing facilities.

The Y.C.L. delegation from the Middle West is bringing its own



AMERICAN YOUTH continues its surge towards a better life as the Young Communist League prepares for its 9th National Convention. Photos above show Lazetta Hester, young Negro girl from Chicago, Francis Blada, youthful steel worker and Stanley Rykus, Polish-American from Chicago, all here for the Convention.



Ask Mayor Probe Nazi Vandalism

German-American Club Attacked by Hitler's Brooklyn Agents

Mayor LaGuardia was yesterday asked to investigate vandalism by Nazi hoodlums at the German-American club of Brooklyn, 343 Linden St.

Five times in recent weeks, the windows of the club rooms have been smashed. The Mayor was told in a letter from Walter Mueller, district secretary of the German-American League for Culture, the anti-Nazi organization with which the club is affiliated.

"There is no doubt in the minds of the club members," Mueller said, "that these activities were organized by Nazi fanatics who hate everyone who does not share their views."

15 OFFICES

The League for Culture has an honorary president Prof. Franz Boas, Columbia University, Dr. Frank Bohn, Washington, D. C., and Prof. Julius Lips, Howard University.

In addition to the national office in Chicago, the league has 15 district offices throughout the United States.

Mueller's letter to LaGuardia follows:

"The German-American Club of Brooklyn, one of our affiliated groups, has repeatedly been the target of Nazi-hoodlums."

"This club of anti-fascist German-Americans maintains a clubroom at 343 Linden St., Brooklyn, where the members and their families gather frequently to enjoy lectures and social affairs."

"For the fifth consecutive time, the windows of this clubroom have been smashed by the neighborhood heroes of the Hitler-inspired gangs. These gangs work in true style of the Nazis: at night and under cover."

"There is no doubt in the mind of the Club-members, that these activities were organized by Nazi-fanatics, who hate everyone, who does not share their views."

"We share the views of the German-American Club as to the criminals and we request of you, Mr. Mayor—that you give the example of Nazi-terrorism your serious consideration, with instructions to the police for investigation."

Drums Roll as Circus Acrobat Plunges to Floor

BOSTON, May 2 (UP).—There was the climactic roll of drums as Fritz Barton started the heading plunge that ends her aerial act.

It was 47 feet to the tanbark and the customary safety net was missing, but the 15,000 spectators, familiar with the finesse of circus acrobats, knew that somehow her fall would be broken.

But she shot downward, landed on one shoulder on the sawdust floor, and her slim body buckled.

As women's screams echoed through Boston Garden, Lombard Barton, himself a disabled aerial star, ran to his wife and bent over her. A doctor gave first aid, and the victim was hospitalized for multiple fractures of the left thigh and internal injuries. Physicians believed she would recover.

Officials of Ringling Brothers-Barnum & Bailey's Circus said that despite the accident the acrobats would continue to perform without safety nets.

Pension Bonus Asked for Golden Wedding Couples

ALBANY, May 2 (UP).—A proposal to reward couples married for 50 years with a \$50 a month pension was before the Legislature today.

Senator Rae L. Egbert, Staten Island Democrat, proposed a separate old age fund for couples who have "traveled down life's highway for a half century" and are in need. He said the measure would prevent separation of couples in homes for the aged.

All couples married for 50 years and residents of the state for at least five of the last nine years would be eligible.

New Plane Stabilizer



INVENTOR Charles Laurent of the Aviation Club of Coulommiers, France, explains to a technician the operation of the new movable wing surface by which the speed of a plane in landing can be reduced at will while the ship is under the complete control of the pilot.

TORIES ROUTED AT ALBANY AS MILLER APPOINTMENT WINS

Senate Ratifies Nomination of Industrial Commissioner as Republican Stall Moves Collapse; Labor Hails Victory

(Special to the Daily Worker)

ALBANY, May 2.—Governor Lehman and Administration forces scored a complete victory in the field of unemployment insurance today as the Senate voted to confirm Frieda S. Miller as Industrial Commissioner and prepared to adopt many of the Governor's recommendations for improvements in the law.

Since the 1938 elections the Republican Party has been waging a smear campaign against the Democratic Administration of unemployment insurance. As a consequence of this maneuver, Republican members of the Legislature blocked Miss Miller's confirmation for nearly four months and issued a report denouncing her as "incompetent" and "evasive."

The vote on Miss Miller's name came after a Republican conference decided that it would be extremely unwise to continue to delay or reject her appointment. Whereupon, the Republican-dominated Senate Finance Committee reluctantly reported the appointment without recommendation and confirmation was granted by a vote of 36-11.

ADMISSION OF UNFAIRNESS

Today's vote is seen as an admission that the charges against her were unfounded and politically inspired and is hailed as a victory for Labor and Civic groups who have pressed for her elevation to the head of the Labor Department.

In the sharp debate on Miss Miller's name, die-hard Republicans assailed Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins and wildly charged that the State Labor Department is rife with "Communism and CIOism."

Republican allegations that there have been substantial overpayments in insurance benefits, for which they held Miss Miller responsible, were vigorously disputed by Democratic Senators Kleinfeld and Nunan.

Pointing out that the cause of administrative difficulties is mainly in imperfections in the law, Senator Kleinfeld also held that the backlog of disputed circumstances is largely employer created.

He cited a number of typical instances where employers falsified pay rolls record both as to the number of persons in their employ and the amount of wages paid them. He said they did this in order to escape their legal share of contribution to the insurance fund.

Some employers will have to go to jail, Kleinfeld declared. "But we cannot blame Frieda Miller or the administrator for this situation."

McNABOE IN USUAL ROLE

Senator McNaboe, who led the opposition to Governor Lehman's appointment of Miss Miller, was forced to crawl when his Tory-Republican allies repudiated their own reports on unemployment insurance.

"If you are going to back down on your own report," he plaintively told the Republicans, "I have no choice but to vote for this person."

McNaboe's reference was to the report of the Republican members of a joint legislative committee which investigated unemployment insurance for three months and denounced Miss Miller's administration.

Pointing out to the Tammany Senator that a Democratic report was also in existence, Nunan charged the Republicans with having conducted star chamber hearings with failure to consult the minority in formulating their report.

Republican Senators Hanley and Martin failed to deny these accusations when they took up the cudgels for the Committee.

The GOP rout became complete when it was learned today that it would shortly introduce unemployment insurance bills which follow closely the recommendations of the Governor's advisory council.

These would simplify the benefit formula, shorten the waiting period and make benefits payable for a flat 13 weeks. Total unemployment, at present defined as wages of less than \$2 a week, would be stepped up to \$3. The present waiting period of three consecutive weeks of unemployment would be reduced by striking out the word "consecutive."

The bills also set up a system of referees to function on appeals in disputed claims and provide against interruption of payments because of the beginning of a new calendar year.

While accepting these liberalizing feature under pressure, the Republicans propose to exempt from the law part time workers under eighteen years who labor after school hours. Another backward step contemplated by the Republicans, although not included in the present bills, would establish a merit rating system for employers.

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Negrin Discusses Exhibit of Spanish Art



LOYALIST SPAIN'S WARTIME Premier, Juan Negrin (center) who arrived in New York at a luncheon with a sponsoring committee to arrange exhibiting Pablo Picasso's famous mural "Guernica." The exhibit opens Thursday at the Valentine Galleries, 16 E. 57th Street, and proceeds will go to the Spanish Refugee Relief Campaign. Left to right are: Lady Diana Forbes Robertson (Mrs. Vincent Sheean); Mrs. Casper Whitney, chairman, and Miss Muriel Draper.

FUR UNION BOARD TALKS UNITY WITH LEATHER WORKERS

Potential Membership of Merged Organization Would Be 100,000; Gold Reports on Work of Union in Convention Preliminary

(Special to the Daily Worker)

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., May 2.—The general executive board of the International Fur Workers' Union, CIO, today considered proposals for a merger with the National Leather Workers Association of America.

The potential membership of the combined organizations will be more than 100,000. The fur union has already organized 40,000 workers.

The convention of the leather workers, held in Lynn, Mass., over the week-end, went on record for such a merger. A delegation from the leather workers union will come to the furrier's convention which opens here on May 7.

The general executive board of the furrier's union today gave detailed consideration to the proposal for a merger and will formulate its recommendation to the convention.

Members at the general executive board meeting include Ben Gold, Pietro Lucchi, Harry Begon, Irving Potash, Michael M. Mandl, Joseph Winogradsky, Samuel Burt, Max Ringel, Nathan Freiman, Myer Kilg, Samuel Mindel, Samuel Butkovitz, Albert Roy, Mike Hudyma, Abe Feinglass, John Vafades, Domenick Plaisani, and Gordon Stein.

The session, in the Albany Room of the President Hotel, was opened with a review of the work by President Ben Gold and reports of the vice-presidents and organizers representing the various districts in the country.

Vice-presidents Potash and Begon reported on the New York Joint Council; Vafades on the Greek Fur Workers, Local 70; Roy on Montreal and Quebec; Kilg on Toronto; Feinglass on the Middle West; Mandl on St. Paul and Duluth; Butkovitz on Boston and vicinity; and Stein on the Pacific Coast. Organizer Brownstone and Boerum reviewed conditions on the New England and Middle-Atlantic areas.

The review of the work indicated that despite the deepening economic crisis for the past 12 months, the local unions were able to enforce existing contracts, renew agreements, and in most instances gain improved conditions.

The sessions of the general executive board will continue all week.

Soviet Fliers Are Welcomed At City Hall

'I Was An Aviator Once Myself,' LaGuardia Tells Them

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S. R. Consul-General to New York and V. K. Bogdan, acting chairman of the Amtorg Co., Soviet trade organization.

The reception to the Soviet fliers was followed by an official welcome to Francois de Tesson, member of the French Chamber of Deputies and biographer of President Roosevelt.

M. Tesson, who arrived here on Monday aboard the Normandie, conferred for a half hour with the Mayor.

He will visit President Roosevelt in Washington and will make a tour of eastern cities on the behalf of the American Ort, a world-wide organization for rehabilitation of Jewish refugees from Nazi Germany and other fascist countries.

M. Tesson was understood to be bearing to Washington the views of the French government on the world situation.

RECEIVED PRINCE

Earlier in the day LaGuardia officially received Crown Prince Frederick of Denmark and the Princess Ingrid, who officiated at the opening of the Danish Pavilion at the Fair.

The royal pair arrived at World's Fair City Hall with Grover Whalen, accompanied by the colorful mounted Indian Guard of Honor, expert horsemen from Haskell Institute, Kansas.

In the party were members of the Danish diplomatic corps, U. S. Fair Commissioner Edward J. Flynn and Mrs. LaGuardia.

"See how polite I am when royalty is here," the Mayor said as he shook hands with the prince.

"You're always polite when your wife is present," Commissioner Flynn added.

The Mayor spent most of the day at his desk discussing problems of the city with his commissioners.

A mass Daily and Sunday Worker circulation—a mass Communist Party—Communist candidates in the City Council—a great progressive victory in 1940!

WPA CHIEF PROBER REVEALED AS FORMER AIDE OF FATHER COUGHLIN, RADIO FASCIST

Witch-Hunt Strangely Similar to Dies Investigation

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work relief program was highly commendable.

When this request was turned down, he tied in with the House Appropriations Committee's investigation.

Meanwhile, Howard Hunter, acting WPA administrator, appeared before the committee to blast some of the Red-baiting insinuations which had been made by Burton yesterday.

Hunter denied that he had been influenced by the Daily Worker into an effort to balk the investigation. He also denied that there had been any pressure put on him by the Workers' Alliance or any other organization.

NO DISCRIMINATION

Then the acting WPA chief told the committee that while he would cooperate in providing facts about the work relief program he would refuse to discriminate against WPA project workers because of affiliation with any political party. This, he said, had been expressly forbidden by Congress.

He declared that in response to a query from Paul Edwards, arts projects official in New York, he had sent instructions to administrative employees in New York not to cooperate in any way in having WPA workers fill out the committee's questionnaire.

Since this questionnaire asked workers to state whether or not they were connected with the Workers' Alliance or the Communist Party, Edwards said, it would be contrary to the law for WPA supervisors to be associated with it in any way.

"There's no possible way to discriminate against a worker for political reason unless you first

Ridder Quits As Chairman Of Welfare Bd.

(Special to the Daily Worker)

ALBANY, May 2.—Governor Lehman announced that for reasons of health Victor F. Ridder has resigned as member and Chairman of the New York State Board of Social Welfare.

Ridder's appointment to the Board in 1935 was sharply opposed by the Workers' Alliance and Labor groups, who charged that as New York City WPA Administrator he had committed many acts unfriendly to organized labor and the unemployed.

He is to be succeeded as Chairman by Alfred H. Schoellkopf, former head of the State Temporary Emergency Relief Administration and now a member of the Welfare Board.

In making public Mr. Ridder's resignation, the Governor praised Schoellkopf as a "tower of strength" and as one of the most valuable men in social welfare work.

As the new member of the Board, the Governor named John Stephen Burke, President of B. Altman Company of New York City.

determine his political affiliations," Hunter said.

Hunter held firm to this position under a cross-fire of hostile questioning by Chairman Clifton Woodrum and by Reps. John Taber, R. of New York, and William Ditter, R. of Pennsylvania.

He asked that he be excused from testifying about the relationship between the Workers' Alliance and the WPA because Col. F. C. Harrington, WPA administrator, has asked to be heard on this issue. Harrington is now out of town because of illness in his family.

Later in the day came what was supposed to be a major feature in the committee's attack on WPA and the New Deal.

Allan W. Stephens and Peter J. Hein, consulting engineers for the Procurement Division of the Treasury now employed by the committee, were called to the witness stand to testify concerning comparative costs of WPA construction work and similar projects done under private contracts.

They told the committee that they had data concerning nine projects, schools, sewers, the World's Fair Building, and the like. On the basis of their admittedly hasty and incomplete examination of these projects, the two engineers concluded that WPA costs were two and a half times as high as private building costs.

Stephens made an admission under questioning which raised doubts as to whether these nine projects were typical, he said that Col. H. Brehon Somervell, New York WPA administrator, had supplied him with data to show that a WPA paving job on the Queensboro Bridge cost considerably less than a similar job done by a private concern on the Manhattan Bridge.

This data, Stephens said, showed that it cost WPA \$272 per foot to do the job, while it cost the private company \$3.91. He did not explain why he did not include the Queensboro Bridge project in his investigation.

Neither of the engineers said that they had discovered any irregularities on WPA during their investigation. The only explanation which they offered for the disparity in costs was the higher labor cost on WPA. One reason for this, they said, is that highly-skilled workers on WPA work only a few hours a month, thus necessitating a large number of shifts.

Average lump-sum payments certified to claimants in New York State under the Old-Age Insurance program of the Social Security Act have doubled since March, 1938, according to an announcement made today by Mrs. Anna M. Rosenberg, New York Regional Director of the Social Security Board.

The average payment made in March of this year was \$91.58, while the payment in March, 1938 was \$45.12.

Approximately \$230,000 was paid to 2,511 claimants during March, bringing the total number of New York claims certified to date to 38,338, with the total amount of state payments reaching the figure of \$2,205,880.46. This compares with a national total of \$15,721,642.21 paid to 324,831 claimants, with an average national payment in March of \$71.15.

These payments, Mrs. Rosenberg stated, go to workers covered by the Old-Age Insurance program who have reached the age of 65, or to the estates or survivors of workers dying before that age. They precede the major program of retirement benefits, which under the present terms of the Social Security Act begin in 1942.

Same Witnesses and Same Tactics Mark Woodrum Quiz

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Jersey CIO Protests Drive To Smear WPA

Letter to Rep. Woodrum Assails Probe As 'Witch-Hunt'

NEWARK, May 2.—The New Jersey CIO, in a letter to Congressman Clifton A. Woodrum, chairman of the House WPA Investigating Committee, today protested vigorously against the committee turning its function to a smear campaign against the Workers' Alliance.

The letter, signed by Leonard H. Goldsmith, executive secretary of the New Jersey Industrial Union Council, stated:

"The New Jersey State Industrial Union Council representing 190,000 members of the CIO protest the position your Committee has taken in its investigation of WPA.

"When this Committee was authorized by the Congress, it was hoped that it would do a constructive job in finding ways and means to improve the functioning of work relief. However, the only function of the Committee up to date seems to be smear the collective bargaining representatives of the WPA workers.

"We strongly urge that your Committee abandon this 'Dies Committee Witch-hunt' and get down to cases trying to find out how more people, who are in need can be employed on WPA and given protection against unemployment."

Jersey GOP Saves Job for Hague Stooze

TRENTON, N. J., May 2 (UP).—

The Assembly delayed action on an election reform bill designed to remove Charles F. Stoebling from office as Hudson County Commissioner when only 21 Republican votes could be counted for it at a caucus last night.

Both Houses adjourned shortly before midnight until May 15 because of impending elections in several municipalities.

The 21 votes were 10 short of the sum needed to pass the election bill and it was decided to have it reprinted with changes, for submission later. Stoebling, a Republican, refused last year to surrender election records to a special assembly committee investigating alleged democratic election irregularities in Hudson County.

Water Supply Head McGahan Deputy Mayor

Rufus E. McGahan, chairman of the Board of Water Supply, was designated yesterday by Mayor LaGuardia to sit as Deputy Mayor in the Board of Estimate.

He will take the place of Deputy Mayor Henry Curran whose \$15,000 salary was stricken from the budget by the Mayor, and will work on the new job without pay.

The Mayor said he will appoint Mr. Curran to fill a vacant place in the city courts.

Gas Masks for Parisian Infants



ANTI-GAS BAG of fireproof silk which he invented being demonstrated by Prof. Le Moet. The mask is intended for babies under two years of age. The child receives oxygen from the gas mask apparatus worn by the mother.

KOKKINAKI PHONES STORY OF FLIGHT TO MOSCOW; CHATS WITH HIS FAMILY

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clone over the Norway Sea. We flew a third cyclone beyond Greenland and then met the last cyclone in the Labrador-St. Lawrence Gulf area.

Correspondent: How long did the blind flying last? Kokkinaki: The weather was not so good and we flew almost 70 per cent of the route in difficult meteorological conditions in and over clouds.

Correspondent: And where did you see land? Kokkinaki: Visibility was only occasional. We saw a bit of Scandinavia, a bit of Iceland, a bit of Greenland and as we approached Labrador only the hilltops of the very tip of Labrador.

Correspondent: What was your speed at 9,000 meters altitude?

Kokkinaki: Flight at this altitude was in clouds. A head wind reached a speed of 110 kilometers (69 miles)

an hour. This reduced our speed. The actual speed of the plane was 360 kilometers (223 miles) an hour, but we progressed at only 250 kilometers (155 miles) an hour.

Correspondent: One more point. Where was Gordienko during the landing? In the cabin, or did he jump?

Kokkinaki: Gordienko was at his place, in the cabin. Correspondent: What has the flight shown? What conclusions are to be drawn?

Kokkinaki: It is necessary to make a good study of climatic conditions on the route involved. It seems to me that weather reports on this route were not always exact. It is necessary to make a study of the upper layers of the atmosphere. It is possible to establish a regular airline. This is the most likely line in the future for aerial communications between the two biggest continents.

Correspondent: Please tell us how the communications worked. Were you satisfied?

Kokkinaki: Yes, satisfied.

AMENDMENT SLOWS FINAL ACTION ON DEVANEY MEASURE

Bill to Bar Progressives from Civil Service Held Up as Up-State Tory Proposes to 'Put Teeth' in It by Court Review

(Special to the Daily Worker)

ALBANY, May 2.—The Devaney so-called "anti-radical" bill was amended in the Senate today after being advanced to the order of final passage under Republican sponsorship.

The amendment, introduced by Senator William Martin, up-State Republican, provides that teachers and civil servants charged with advocating governmental overthrow must submit to a public trial if they wish to establish their innocence and escape the penalty of the proposed fascist legislation.

As a result of the change, which is not in accordance with civil service practice, the bill cannot come up for final action by the legislature for three days.

The Devaney bill, barring progressives from civil service and teaching positions, was advanced in the Senate under Republican sponsorship last night.

Action on the measure was followed by the passage of the Wicks bill to destroy collective bargaining on city-operated transit lines.

The Devaney bill, a streamlined substitute for the McNaboe bill which was vetoed by the Governor last year, was introduced in the Senate by Martin, up-State Republican.

It was advanced without debate in the upper chamber although it met with considerable opposition when it passed the Assembly last week.

The bill provides that persons advocating "overthrow of the government" may not hold or apply for civil service and teaching posts. It has been widely denounced as being aimed at anyone holding liberal views. Labor and civic groups have pointed out that because of the peculiar structure of the civil service and teaching systems it would not be necessary to prove "sedition" charges in order to effectively bar persons from public service.

Progressive organizations, anticipating passage of the measure, have opened a vigorous campaign to secure its veto by the Governor. At the same time, they are intensifying pressure upon legislators since the Republicans are certain to attempt to override a gubernatorial veto.

The Wicks bill, passed last night, makes it necessary for New York City transit workers to take civil service examinations within one year of unification of the city's subways.

Aimed at the Transport Workers Union, a CIO affiliate, the bill makes no provisions for retention of pension rights and job security won under the union.

It has been opposed by Mayor LaGuardia as a violation of home rule as well as by labor unions, A. F. of L. and CIO. It has the support of the A. F. of L. hierarchy, however, and all groups opposed to the CIO. Another bill passed by the Sen-

Plan Welcome For Vets from Fascist Jails

29 Will Arrive Saturday
Aboard S. S.
Harding

A demonstration to welcome 29 Americans, recently released from Franco's prisons, will be staged by the Friends of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade when the veterans arrive on the S.S. President Harding Saturday.

The President Harding will dock at the pier of the United States Lines, at the foot of West 18th Street. The exact time of the boat's arrival will be published in Friday's and Saturday's papers.

The Friends are now inaugurating a whirlwind campaign to raise funds for the rehabilitation of the released prisoners who have spent two years in jail. Many are wounded and have been in need of medical attention for months. All are in poor health, according to information received from the Paris representative of the Friends.

Lieut. Col. John Gates, Executive Secretary of the Friends appealed to all organizations and individuals to hold affairs for the prisoners and to rush the funds to the Friends office at 125 West 45 Street, New York City.

Lehman Asks Probe of Bias In Fair Hiring

Governor Lehman has asked Grover Whalen to investigate charges of discrimination against Catholic and Jewish workers in the hiring of hostesses, stenographers and guides for the World's Fair, it was announced yesterday by the New York Joint Council of the United Office and Professional Workers, CIO, in making public a letter from the Governor.

The Joint Council, through Anne Berenholz, executive secretary, had written the Governor charging that advertisements by the Walter Lowen Placement Agency of 420 Lexington Ave. and the Triad Agency, 11 W. 42nd St., for workers for the World's Fair had limited applicants to "Christian" and "Protestant."

The union pointed out that "thousands of dollars have already been subscribed by New Yorkers of all religious denominations who are proud of the Fair and ready to support it."

State and local funds have also been spent on the Fair and government officials "must insist that there be no religious discrimination in the administration of the Fair or any of its concessions," the union's letter said.

The Governor, in answer to the letter, said:

"The State, of course, has absolutely no jurisdiction over or official connection with the World's Fair. The administration of the Fair is exclusively in the hands of the World's Fair Corporation of which Honorable Grover A. Whalen is president. I have nonetheless immediately advised Mr. Whalen of the contents of your letter. I have requested him to investigate the matter to which you refer and if

Philadelphia Labor Rallies on May Day



BEARING EFFIGIES of Hitler, Mussolini and Hirohito, labor staged its largest May Day demonstration Monday in Philadelphia. Labor unity and support for President Roosevelt's peace policy were the central points of the rally which was held in Reynard Plaza.

3,000,000 in State Protected by Job Insurance in 1939

Miss Miller Reports 100,000 Places of Business Covered by Law; One Million Still Lack Protection of Legislation

Albany, N. Y., May 2.—Close to 3,000,000 workers were subject to the Unemployment Insurance Law during the first nine months of 1938, according to a statement released today by the Bureau of Research and Statistics of the Division of Placement and Unemployment of the New York State Department of La-

bor. This figure was based on reports covering about 100,000 places of employment in the State. During this period the employed workers included earned \$3,135,770,880, of which a three per cent tax was paid to the Unemployment Insurance Fund by the employers.

The total number of individuals engaged in employment over this period was considerably more than the tabulated figures, but over a million workers were not covered by the report, due to considerable shifts of workers between covered and non-covered employment in the industries of New York State.

Nearly 40 per cent of the employed workers and 35 per cent of the payrolls were reported in the manufacturing industries while the wholesale and retail trade afforded employment to about 20 per cent. Transportation, communication and public utility industries reported nearly 13 per cent of the employed workers and the rest were placed in the service industries.

The situation which you describe steps to correct it without loss of actually exists, to take all possible time.

"I am sure that Mr. Whalen of the World's Fair Corporation would not condone the un-American and undemocratic policy alleged."

President Roosevelt named the 72-year-old former Secretary of Commerce yesterday to represent the United States at Ottawa.

It was leaked that Roper is anxious to pursue his business here and accepted the nomination for a period of two or three months. He recently opened a law office in the capital.

Morris to Start Distribution of Refugee Funds

Money Contributed By
Employer-Employee
Aid Committee

Newbold Morris, President of the City Council, agreed today to distribute the first contribution made to aid refugees by the employers and employees of the painting and decorating industry, Philip H. Gladstone and Louis Weinstock, co-chairmen, announced today.

The funds, the first part of a hundred thousand dollar campaign will be distributed to the following organizations:

The Joint Distribution Committee, American Committee for German Relief, Committee for Catholic Refugees from Germany, the ORT, the HIAS, Relief Campaign for Jewish Masses in Poland, the North American Committee Refugee Fund and the American Friends Service Committee.

State Senator Robert W. Wagner, Jr., and Councilmen Schaner and Guill will also attend the distribution which is to take place at a mass meeting in the Manhattan Center, 311 W. 34th St., on next Saturday at 2 P.M.

The hundred thousand dollar fund is being raised through the establishment of the Non-Sectarian Committee of Employers and Employees of the Painting and Decorating Industry to Aid European Refugees. Mr. Gladstone is representing the employers and Mr. Weinstock the union.

The unions are contributing a day's pay and the employers a day's profit to the fund. The hundred thousand dollar goal is expected to be reached within the month.

Gun Victim Dies

A man tentatively identified as Joseph Czonek, 25, (224 E. 122 St.) died in Mt. Sinai Hospital today from bullet wounds. He was brought to the hospital by two men who fled.

CAPITAL MAY DAY IS BIGGEST YET; UNITY IS KEYNOTE

Harry Bridges, Lee Pressman and N. A. A. C. P. Leader Speak in Meeting at Base of Washington Monument

(Special to the Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, May 2.—Acting through its United May Day Committee, progressive Washington last night staged the largest May Day celebration in local history. Over 1,600 people crowded the beautiful outdoor theatre at the base of the Washington Monument to listen enthusiastically as speakers keyed to the defense of democracy.

Harry Bridges, West Coast labor leader, a surprise guest, was warmly cheered as he delivered a short speech of greeting.

Lee Pressman, general counsel for the CIO, opened the meeting as its chairman, by stressing the need for labor unity at home and abroad in order to fight effectively the rising tide of fascism and reaction. "It is labor through its organization that can become most articulate and effective in defending democracy," he said.

The next speaker, Charles H. Houston, special counsel for the National Association for the Advancement of the Colored People, evoked long applause when he declared that "the salvation of the Negro is one big union for every industry and every worker in that union. The acid test of May Day is the Negro worker-organized labor's ability to absorb him because with him goes the solidarity necessary to preserve democracy in the United States."

Merle Vincent, president of the District of Columbia Lawyers Guild, the final speaker, described in detail the menace of fascism throughout the world and here in America. "Labor's voice," he said, "is the voice of law asking for freedom from coercion and force. Those who are attempting to repeal and emasculate the law's protecting labor are the exponents of lawlessness and of violence which is the essence of fascism."

The celebration was concluded by a performance of Marc Blitzstein's "The Cradle Will Rock," produced by Contemporary Stage.

Earlier in the day, Norman Thomas addressed 300 persons at a street corner meeting.

The program for the conference includes visiting of schools, and addresses by leaders in the field of health education.

Health Teachers Meet Here Today

Health education directors and teachers from the eastern part of the country will meet for a three-day conference today at Hotel Pennsylvania under the auspices of the Eastern District Society of the American Association for Health, Physical Education and Recreation of the National Education Association.

The program for the conference includes visiting of schools, and addresses by leaders in the field of health education.

ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN FINDS 100% MINE STOPPAGE IN WEST VIRGINIA 'HIGHLIGHT OF LABOR CAREER'

By Elizabeth Gurley Flynn

To be in West Virginia in the month of April, 1939, to see a "stoppage" of the coal miners under the control of the United Mine Workers of America—this is a highlight of my whole labor life. Picture every mine shut down in Mingo, Logan, McDowell, Meriden counties, every tipple guarded, not by murderous Baldwin-Feltz detectives but by union committees; not a car of coal moving; the idle empty coal baskets suspended in midair on the cables over the river. No arrests, no violence, no thugs, no fear, the miners' union in peaceful control of the situation—it was the grandest sight I ever saw.

Because this is West Virginia, which a few short years ago was bathed in the blood of workers; battle ground of years of desperate struggle to build this union! Here miners' officials were tried for treason as late as 1921; here union organizers were shot down; here Mother Jones was court-martialed. Here every hill was a fortress—miners on one—de, armed guards on the other—shooting it out.

I recalled while here, the famous song of the Paint Creek miner, "When the Leaves Come Out." It's wailing refrain was "Oh! Buddy, how I'm longing for the Spring!"—not because he was a lover of nature. He and his rifle would then be protected from view by spring's green screen. I saw Cabin Creek, where Mother Jones stood in the water, like John the Baptist to organize the miners, held off company property by men with rifles.

140,000 ORGANIZED

These places are like Bunker Hill and Valley Forge in the traditions of the whole labor movement, especially the miners.

Today there are 140,000 organized coal miners in Districts No. 17 and No. 31 of the U.M.W. of A. District No. 50, which covers "Gas, Coke Byproducts and Chemicals," is carrying on an energetic organizational campaign. In no time 11,000 additional chemical workers will be unionized together with the miners. Great plants in which the duPonts, Mellons and other big interests have invested millions, make evident in the Kanawha Valley that coal is not a dying industry. Here industrial chemical compounds, deadly gas, explosives, are being manufactured.

West Virginia is a rich reservoir of natural resources, coal, oil, gas and salt wells. In Nitro the workers are on strike for union recognition. As yet there is neither union recognition nor collective bargaining rights in any of the chemical plants. But the union is busy everywhere, meeting and organizing. In the Belle Works of the duPont company close to 3,000 men are employed. Coal is used as a basic material. It is transported from their own mines over the hills in the baskets, which are now idle, as well as up the river in barges. There was a company union in this plant. But when District No. 50 filed for a Labor Board hearing, it was dissolved. No date has yet been set for the hearing. The union undoubtedly has a majority of the workers signed up. Many of them are former miners, already union men.

EXPOSES SPLIT MOVE

In the Carbide Union, in South Charleston, owned by the Mellon interests, many workers are high school graduates and fresh farmer boys, with very few ex-miners. Quite a number of workers here



ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN

signed up but the progress of the union is slower. This plant, recently enlarged, employs about 32,000 workers. Coal and salt water are the basic materials utilized here. I spoke at a meeting of chemical workers in Boone, W. Va., with the International Representative of District No. 50, Mr. Orlando Folio, who is very energetic in organizing these groups. The greatest interest and enthusiasm was demonstrated for the miners and their stand.

I also spoke at a large mass meeting of about 1,000 miners, at Scott's Run where Mr. W. A. Teit, vice-president of District No. 31 was the principal speaker. The miners voted unanimously, at the close of his speech, to support their union, "No Closed Shops—No Work" is their edict.

He exposed the attempts of the A. F. of L. to split the miners up and declared "We are going to keep the craft unions out of the mines." They gave me a splendid reception.

Although Gov. Homer Rocky Holt (Anti-New Deal Democrat) refused to recognize the miners' claims for unemployment compensation, they have all registered for it, they intend to appeal from his decision. There is not much enthusiasm for the Governor and less for his distant relative, Senator Rush Holt, who was voted "the most useless Senator in Washington" by the newspaper there. Their chances to be returned to office are mighty slim, I judge from public opinion there.

P. M. OF A. HARD TO FIND

One of the jokes of West Virginia is to tell a tender foot from the big city to "look for a square mile of flat land." Well, it's just as hard to find the mythical P. M. of A. (Progressive Miners of America) who are being groomed as a dual union by William Green of the A. F. of L. They are like a will o' the wisp. In every mining area I am told they are some place else. The typical answer in the Anthracite and West Pa. is "No, there aren't any ground here. But you'll probably find them in West Virginia."

Green and Ozman have tried to create the impression that they control mines in West Virginia. I cannot say it strongly enough to impress it on workers elsewhere. There is not a single local of the P.M.A. controlling a single mine in West Virginia. Many thousands of dollars have been spent by the A. F. of L. Certain coal companies have aided. But their three attempts to hold meetings, one at Eschdale and two in Logan County

were dismal failures. The miners would not listen to them. The miners understand the disruptive hold of the P. M. of A. and are loyal to their hard-won union. They do not intend to allow the P. M. of A. to open the doors for attacks by the operators. At regular intervals the P. M. of A. distribute literature in Logan County. But they hire an aeroplane to do it. They don't dare to put their feet on the ground. Their office in Charleston, financed by the A. F. of L. is empty. Even local A. F. of L. unions want nothing to do with what they call "that phony outfit." The real unions, affiliated with the A. F. of L. resent their strike-breaking tactics and want to repudiate them. Organized labor in West Virginia is with the United Mine Workers of America 100 per cent both CIO and AFL.

HUNT PLACE TO MEET

The State Federation of Labor is in a pretty pickle now, thanks to this aggregation wished on them by William Green. They voted to hold their 1939 convention in Morgantown. The people in the community said they would welcome legitimate AFL delegates but no P. M. A. should come. The convention arrangements were cancelled in Morgantown. They are now looking for a place where they can drag this dead cat along with them, and it smells worse every day.

I met with groups of workers in Morgantown, Fairmount, Boone, Logan, Beckley, Charleston, and Grant's Town. Here in this last place, I had to show credentials that I did not represent the P. M. A. to a local committee of the U. M. W. of A. I told them I admired their vigilance. One big Negro miner, polite but very determined, said, "There won't be any meetings

held in this camp that we aren't sure of while this stoppage is on!"

Conditions are far from ideal—not even good in many places in West Va. The miners and other workers know it and are planning, once their union is secure, to go to town on other demands.

Housing is a burning issue. Old tumble-down company shacks still deface the landscape, and make life uncomfortable for people.

Adequate relief is another demand, especially in a county like Monongahela, which is rated as one of the "national distress areas." Here the glass industry (hard cut and blown) once flourished, but is no more. The bunker is worked out; the steel mill shut down. Nearby are the Federal homesteads of Arthurdale and Tygart Valley. More are needed to relieve the acute needs here. Coal is the only basic industry left in this county.

Mechanization is another problem assuming major proportions for the coal miners of West Virginia.

With unity of the labor movement and a good political setup in Labor's Non-Partisan League, West Virginia is a promising field to solve these problems. Absentee ownership makes the message of the Communist Party, for social control of the means of life, easily understood and acceptable in West Virginia. More than one said to me, "I guess I've been a Communist all my life and didn't know it!" There is a very healthy relationship between the Communist Party and all other groups within the Democratic Front. This made it possible for me to help as a member of organized labor, in union efforts, while in West Virginia.

My advice is watch West Virginia to see things moving for labor now and in 1940.

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WEDNESDAY, MAY 3, 1939

Our Good Neighbors On Parade

Below the Rio Grande and clear down to the Antarctic regions of Chile and Argentina, the best exponents of the Good Neighbor policy demonstrated on May Day.

The workers and peasants of South America, by the hundreds of thousands, marched in unison with the toilers of the world against fascism, against the Hoover dollar diplomatists, against war and for the victory of democracy.

Mexico and Chile were the highpoints of Latin America's May Day marches. Popular Front Chile saw hundreds of thousands of joyous workers demonstrate for strengthening of their recent victories.

The Popular Front type of government in Mexico was represented at the May Day demonstrations by President Cardenas who watched the parade at Saltillo, in the state of Coahuila.

In Havana, Cuba, President Federico Laredo Bru and Col. Fulgencio Batista, army chief of staff, reviewed the May Day parade. The Cuban workers were demonstrating in larger numbers than ever because of the democratic rights won, because of the progressive outlook in their country.

In this way, in hundreds of other cities, towns and villages, the masses of South American people affirmed their unity with the American toilers in jointly fighting fascism and in working for the mutual progress of the Western Hemisphere.

Fifty Million a Week—Price of 'Confidence'

The latest "plan" of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce is about as original and fresh as "Polly wants a cracker."

It is the same song and dance. Cut the present small taxes on corporation profits, smash the labor unions, drive wages down to starvation levels, and remove any restriction which hampers the monopolies in fleecing the public—such is the well-worn program. Let them have all this, and their "confidence" will return.

It gives a different slant on Chamber propaganda about shivering and starving Big Business to read in yesterday's issue of the Journal of Commerce that Big Business will have collected more than a billion dollars in dividends and bond interest since Jan. 1 of this year—\$1,018,617,000, if you are interested in the exact figure. That runs at about fifty million dollars a week. Enough, we should think, for "confidence."

But it isn't good enough for the greedy Monopolists. They want more. Hence the latest barrage of propaganda about "taxes," etc.

What makes the sabotage of the Monopolies particularly damaging at this time is that production is lagging severely. It shows no immediate signs of improvement, and is hurt still further by Hitler's trade wars. That business conditions are not much worse is due to the fact that the Government is holding up consumption to a certain degree, through its WPA, relief and public works program. If the Chamber of Commerce program of reducing taxes were to be accepted by the country it would pull the bottom out of consuming power and bring another Hoover disaster.

More Government spending, heavier taxes on dividends which pile up and are not used productively, and an anti-monopoly drive are what is needed to speed recovery.

Gestapo Methods

Against the WPA Workers

It is becoming clearer every day that with the House sub-committee investigation of the WPA, the country has been inflicted with another Dies Committee all over again.

Instead of examining relief needs and the ability of WPA to meet them, as ordered by Congress, this committee is resorting to all the Dies methods, including the use of discredited Dies witnesses, in order to smear the New Deal administration of the WPA and the Workers Alliance and to attempt to choke off the movement for an adequate relief appropriation for the coming year.

Like investigators for the Dies Committee, the investigator for Woodrum's group, one H. R. Burton, is not above resorting to deception and trickery. Burton was prevented by the WPA from insisting that WPA workers must answer questions about political affiliation, etc. Whereupon, Burton testified before the enthralled committee that the Daily Worker was the first to inform WPA workers about their right to remain silent on such questions and that the WPA administration then "backed up the Daily Worker."

One of the qualifications for an investi-

gator, presumably, is that he must be able to read. Burton must be aware, then, that it was not the Daily Worker who advised the WPA workers as to their rights but Willis Morgan, president of the Workers Alliance of Greater New York, in a statement carried by us on April 22. We are informed by the Workers Alliance that this statement was offered to every paper in the city and that only the Daily Worker saw fit to print it.

So much for the facts. Actually, the rights of WPA workers do not lose any of their validity because they are championed by the Daily Worker. (Any more than unemployment insurance could be placed under a cloud these days because it was the Daily Worker that first crusaded for it.)

There is something ironical, to say the least, about this witch-hunt by the Woodrum committee. Here are Congressmen who have yelled themselves hoarse about "ridding WPA of politics," now trying to use political issues to intimidate and coerce the workers. We are confident, however, that this underhanded attempt to dampen the movement for an adequate relief appropriation is doomed to failure.

Negro Youth in Birmingham

We think it is a remarkable fact which our special correspondent, Ben Davis, Jr., reported yesterday in his dispatch from Birmingham, Ala., and which no other paper in this city thought worthy of mention.

It is that the city of Birmingham officially granted the "keys of the city" to the All-Southern Negro Youth Conference.

This is part of the new South which is breaking through the restrictions of the past and is taking its place with the progressive forces of America. The Conference, whose fruitful work we will discuss in detail later, deserves the heartiest commendation for the way in which its constructive work has won recognition. Its determination to remove the bonds of discrimination is winning results.

A Timely Move

The action of a group of prominent citizens, including Professor Franz Boas, in calling a National Emergency Conference to combat pending anti-alien legislation comes at a critical moment.

There are now some 60 bills and amendments in Congress, calculated to weaken the New Deal and progressive movement through a concerted attack upon the non-citizens. Deportation, registration, finger-printing and concentration camps are the means through which the Tories intend to intimidate these non-citizens and so deprive the progressive movement of their support.

But this dark strategy goes even deeper. The Tories hope, too, to frighten citizens of foreign origin and even native-born Americans from joining the organizations or taking the progressive action for which non-citizens under these bills could be attacked.

How far this fascist campaign has already advanced can be seen from the fact that the Hobbs Bill (providing for concentration camps) has already been approved by the House Judiciary Committee without a hearing and will come to the floor any day. Meanwhile the Dempsey Bill, for deporting aliens who advocate any change in the government, has been railroaded through the House without discussion and is now in the Senate.

The National Emergency Conference in Washington on May 13 can be a powerful brake upon this reactionary drive.

P. J. Philip—N. Y. Times Or Bonnet Agent in Paris?

What has the New York Times got to say about this?

For the second time in the most critical stages of fascism's drive to plunge the world into slaughter, its Paris "correspondent," P. J. Philip, is caught acting as the stooge of Georges Bonnet, the pro-Nazi French Foreign Minister.

On Sunday last, this Mr. Philip broadcast to England over the British Broadcasting System, the whole-cloth lie that the French people are not concerned about Danzig and that Warsaw ought to hand this territory over to Berlin. Both the British and French governments, to save their faces, had to repudiate Mr. Philip's canard. But the damage was done.

"Shortly before broadcasting," reported the United Press on May 1, "Philip was the guest of French Foreign Minister Georges Bonnet."

While Philip occasionally spews his lying poison over European radio waves he, with the connivance of the Times' editors, pours his pro-Nazi propaganda into the columns of the Times daily.

During the Munich maneuvers, so costly to world peace, Philip acted as the chief American propaganda agent for the Munich-er Bonnet.

Even the well-known conservative author on foreign affairs, Mr. Hamilton Fish Armstrong, in his book, "When There Is No Peace," exposed and lambasted the miserable trickery of Mr. Philip who deliberately distorted the Soviet Union's position with regard to defending Czechoslovakia, if that country resisted Nazi aggression.

Why doesn't the Times let its readers in on the fact that its Paris correspondent is an obvious agent of the despotic traitor to France and world peace, Georges Bonnet?

This would, indeed, be news fit to print.

ACROSS THE RIO GRANDE

by Ellis



Questions From the People

Answered by V. J. Jerome

QUESTION: What is the exact number of unemployed in the U. S. and in the world? Can you refer me to authorities on this question. (L.X., New York)

ANSWER: The best estimates available give 12,312,000 unemployed in the U.S.A. in November, 1938, exclusive of those employed on federal emergency work, and 18,090,350 in December, 1938, in the world.

The former is the figure prepared by the Labor Research Association, which publishes at intervals its estimates on unemployment in its monthly Labor Notes and also in its Labor Fact Books. This is one of three regularly published estimates, the other two being those of the National Industrial Conference Board, employers' research agency; and the American Federation of Labor. The former, with its notoriously reactionary views, is naturally interested in minimizing the unemployment figures; while the number estimated by the A. F. of L. is traditionally conservative. The absence of uniform and reliable data prevents the L.R.A. figure from being more than a very rough estimate, but it is the best obtainable.

The world figure is even harder to establish. The only collected data are from the International Labor Office in Geneva. But this organization does not give a world total; it merely publishes the data obtained from each country registering. Indeed, the only thing that we can be absolutely sure about is that the actual numbers of unemployed are zero in the case of the Soviet Union and that in almost every other country the actual unemployment is greater than the I.L.O. figures indicate.

Aside from the fact that the capitalist countries minimize their unemployment figures, both from

the viewpoint of "national prestige" and of minimizing the demands for unemployment relief, there are many other difficulties. There is no established definition of unemployment. There is, for example, no agreement as to whether the figures for each month should include only those unemployed during the whole of the month, those unemployed during part of the month; or whether the figures should include each case of temporary unemployment. There are also the difficulties of establishing an adequate national coverage, particularly of agricultural workers and professionals, and of defining the category of "unemployables." In addition, in the United States, the figure quoted does not include workers on federal emergency work. Their inclusion would add 3,836,000 to the November total, bringing the U.S.A. figure to 16,148,000 and the world figure to 21,928,350.

The fascist figures, which do not include Italy, since it does not include its data to the I.L.O., are, of course, completely untrustworthy and deliberately distorted. Their definition of "unemployed" excludes all those on "labor service," the hundreds of thousands in concentration camps, and those excluded from the miserably inadequate fascist unemployment insurance. Furthermore, the huge war machine, and the large number of workers engaged in constructing forts, military roads, etc., have, of course, inflated the unemployment figures.

The International Labor Office says the following of its figures, in the March issue of the International Labor Review: "The figures must not be taken to measure accurately the actual level of employment and unemployment in each country and

consequently no comparison can be made between the countries." The trends of unemployment are therefore the only useful indication that we can get from the figures.

As analyzed by the I.L.O., the following countries show an unemployment increase in 1938 compared to 1937: Canada, Chile, Denmark, France, Germany, Great Britain, Hungary, Lithuania, The Netherlands, Poland, Sweden, Switzerland, and the U.S.A.—the last-named having the largest increase. This means that unemployment has increased in 13 out of 22 countries. In seven countries—Canada, France, Luxembourg, The Netherlands, Poland, Switzerland, and the U.S.A.—there were still, in spite of population gains, fewer workers employed in 1938 than in 1929.

The data of the various countries that make up the world figure (considered unofficial by the I.L.O.), as quoted at the outset, are as follows (unless otherwise stated, the figures are for December, 1938):

Germany	578,812
Austria	150,054
Australia	41,710
Belgium	240,880
Canada	82,239
Czechoslovakia	142,316
(Sweden)	218,000
Denmark	4,012
Finland	161,263
Estonia	1,813
France	4,294
Great Britain	1,726,929*
Hungary	43,921
Dutch Indies (Oct.)	16,487
Eire	88,380
Japan (June)	230,292
Latvia	2,737
Lithuania (Oct.)	1,987
Mexico (Aug.)	196,145
Netherlands (Nov.)	353,380
Norway	34,873
Poland	365,286
Rumania	5,200
Sweden	122,343
Switzerland	81,257
U.S.A. (I.R.A. for Nov.)	12,312,000
Yugoslavia	23,590

* Total registered unemployed on March 13, 1939, compared with 1,744,921 on March 14, 1938. (Wall Street Journal, April 4, 1939.)

Letters From Our Readers

Looking Toward the Next World's Fair—

Editor, Daily Worker: Amid worthy pageantry and splendor, the New York World's Fair was inaugurated just one day ahead of labor's important world-wide annual demonstration of solidarity.

At the Fair there are for millions to see the marvels of mechanical and scientific achievements. A true demonstration of man's power over matter and to a great extent over the mighty forces of nature.

At any future world's fair, let us hope, more than mechanical and commercial exhibits there should be shown moral and spiritual achievements throughout the fields of the social sciences and of economic justice; fields which only a socialistically organized society can develop, giving to every man and woman their rightful share of the collectively created wealth over the entire span of the earth. No more material achievements wrung from the servitude of the many by the few, but material, social and spiritual accomplishments by mutual effort justly rewarded and universally beneficial.

Anti-Semitism Again Rears Its Ugly Head—

Editor, Daily Worker: This is a copy of a letter sent to the Daily News and Colliers magazine:

"As an American citizen, I was moved by the profoundest disgust of anti-Semitism in the columns of your paper. You readily understand, of course, that I am referring to the publication of the Collier's advertisement: Shall Gentiles Marry Jews?"

"Diabolically presenting itself as an honest discussion of the Jewish question favorable to the Jewish people, the full-page advertisement was, per se, an incitement of the most vicious character against the Jewish people!"

"By bringing forward and stressing the nonsensical fictions that the Jew is intellectually superior, that the Jew has been strengthened and consolidated by persecution—you and Collier's, either in sheer blindness, or inconceivable cunning and hatred, governed without scruple for the methods by which you both achieve circulation, stress these two aspects which provoke resentment and persecution."

"You compel us, by this criminal and insidious pogrom-act, to reach as many persons possible among your readers to induce them to discontinue their purchase of filthy Nazi propaganda disguised as discussion."

"In full protest. EUGENE KONECKY."

Applauds 'Plea for Peace' Program—

Editor, Daily Worker: Recently, we heard Frances Farmer, Lelf Ericson and Burgess Meredith in a "Plea For Peace," Radio Station WMCA.

Their message was to amend the Neutrality Act to stop aggressor nations and that a complete embargo on Japan, Germany and Hitler would mean their downfall.

They asked for full support to Roosevelt. Never have we heard such honesty and such a splendid and realistic performance as they gave in their interpretation of Hitler's speech. Mussolini and Japan's ideas.

I ask all you readers to heartily support Burgess Meredith, Frances Farmer and Lelf Ericson by voicing your approval of their splendid work and by demanding more peace plays.

'The Last Resort of a Scoundrel'—

Editor, Daily Worker: We still have Coughlin with us with his darning of everybody from Roosevelt down who does not conform with his dictates.

This blubber of Franco, apostle of Mussolini and apologist for Hitler spews his venom of malice and hatred regardless of whom he defiles. Like a lawyer who defends a murderer on the grounds that he was once an innocent little baby.

The flag is the last resort of a scoundrel and can be applied to spew malice and hate and defend the fascists under the cloak of patriotism.

JAMES ROONEY.

Building Trade Workers In World of Tomorrow—

Editor, Daily Worker:

We, the Building Trade Workers, have for once been put where we belong, where all labor belongs—at the head of the line as standard-bearers of American democracy. As guard of honor to a President who is fighting to preserve this democracy and who is recognizing the importance of labor in this fight against reaction, fascism and war.

Yes, we deserve Social Security. Let the reactionary representatives of Wall Street, in Congress, in Al-

World Front

By HARRY GANNES



British Foreign Office Antics
To Try New Munich and Delay
Peace Front Talks With Soviet Union

The British Foreign Office now is busily pumping propaganda into the world news services, this time in order to delay or hamstring acceptance of the Soviet Union's proposals for a strong peace front.

This is, indeed, an alarming symptom. What has Chamberlain got up his sleeve?

Accommodatingly, the Associated Press, the United Press and the special correspondents of a number of leading American capitalist newspapers carry the British Foreign Office barrage about negotiations with the U. S. S. R.

The following New York Times headline sums up the kind of stories being disseminated by Lord Halifax's department at Chamberlain's orders:

"British Hesitant About Soviet Tie. Reluctance to Offend Spain, Portugal or Vatican Now Restrains Chamberlain."

Imagine the cheek of Chamberlain claiming that he does not desire to offend the satellites of the very fascist war-makers which the peace-loving people demand be stopped by establishment of a peace front with the U. S. S. R. taking a prominent part.

The British Foreign Office also has the brass to say that it does not seek conclusion of an understanding with the Soviet Union in order not to ruffle the feelings of Japan.

But the real reason is that the Munichers do not want to erect any obstacles which might stop and wreck the fascist war axis. Instead of proceeding with formation of a peace front they are trying to stall on negotiations with the Soviet Union so as not to harm Hitler.

We learn from the most authoritative quarters in London that Neville Henderson rushed to Berlin four days before Hitler's speech to prepare the way for a new Munich. The first step in this direction is to assure Hitler that the Chamberlains and Daladiers favor excluding the Soviet Government from any negotiations that may take place now or later.

This explains the suspicious batch of stories using the sensitivity of the fascist stooges, the dislike of the Japanese aggressors, and even the Vatican's possible reaction, as a melancholy excuse for not immediately accepting the steel structure of a solid peace front—the U. S. S. R.

This explains also the new Lindbergh-style lies again being circulated to facilitate the plans of the British and French Munich traitors. For instance, Ferdinand Kuhn, Jr., New York Times London correspondent, transmitted the British Foreign Office refurbished Lindbergh tales about the Soviet Union's fighting strength. "They (the British Tories) have no great faith in Russia's military prowess," cabled Mr. Kuhn, informing Times readers that Chamberlain was now using Robert S. Hudson, Secretary of the Department of Overseas Trade, who spent a few days in Moscow recently, on whom to pin the Lindbergh type of anti-Soviet fabrications.

Moreover, Mr. Lindbergh himself has suddenly discovered his tongue long enough to praise the Nazis and again slander the Soviet Union. In connection with a tour to Langley Field, Virginia, Mr. Lindbergh, still treasuring the medal for treacherous activities he got from Nazi Hermann Goering exchanged some silly banter with newspapermen to show he is a regular guy. The purpose was to give some human interest dressing to his statement that Nazi aviation attainments are the best in the world and "the Soviet 'negligible.'" Is this a coincidence now that Chamberlain is beginning some new moves to block the Soviet Union's peace proposal just when the Tory Premier is cooking an attempted deal with Hitler? We think emphatically not.

The United Press in its story on the subject, distributed for the British Foreign Office, nevertheless, did refer to "Russia's enormous fighting strength."

Warnings uttered recently in Paris and London indicate the situation. Henri de Kerillis, for instance, who usually speaks on behalf of the French General Staff, a little more than a week ago said of negotiations with the Soviet Union:

"If Britain concludes an agreement with the Soviet Union, then Nazi Germany will be faced with a coalition in the East and West, and Hitler will have to stop. If this does not take place then the Munich blackmail begins again, threats recommence and perhaps war."

As far as Great Britain is concerned, the following words of Harry Pollitt, General Secretary of the Communist Party, go to the heart of the situation:

"Chamberlain is not working for peace; he is doing everything possible to hold up and prevent the formation of the Peace Front and real collective security that the entire people of Britain now recognize as necessary."

"We declare that the Peace Front of Britain, France and the Soviet Union can now be realized; that it is the one way which can now save peace."

"If this is not achieved, then Chamberlain will still further delay and sabotage the building up of a genuine Peace Front, and the danger of new lightning moves on the part of the fascist aggressors is imminent. Prague, Memel and Albania are proof of this."

"If, as we hope, the British people will insist on the signing of an Anglo-Soviet Pact with equal obligations, then it will be even more necessary to demand the removal of Chamberlain as the guarantee that such a Pact will be honored in every particular."

And in the City Council, know in no uncertain terms what we think of their anti-labor and anti-democratic actions. Whether they like it or not, we will build a World of Tomorrow, for Jobs, Security, Democracy and Peace.

Urges More Vaudeville—

Editor, Daily Worker:

I would like to call your attention, if I may, to the serious plight of the musicians and the actors whose performances we once enjoyed during the vaudeville era. This was before the talkies put them out of business.

Today, there are thousands of these artists unemployed. They and their families are in want and are suffering.

However, a few places are beginning to put vaudeville on their boards which plays to ever-increasing audiences. The trend toward making vaudeville widespread while doing a great deal in aiding employment for the actors and musicians and more pleasure for the people of New York.

HERMAN GOLDSTEIN.

Change the World



Solon, One of the
Seven Wise Men of
Ancient Greece

By MIKE GOLD

SOLON, one of the Seven Wise Men of ancient Greece, is often named as the father of the democratic idea. "Tyranny," he said, "is a fair estate, but there is no road down from it."

Athens has ever haunted the imagination of mankind. There, in a city smaller than Paterson, New Jersey, or Oshkosh, Wisconsin, great poets, scholars, statesmen, scientists and artists were born in a profusion that made the city seem the nursery of genius. Labor was performed on the prevalent system of the time—by slaves captured in war or ruined by debt. Among the freemen, however, there was shared a group intellectuality such as the world has never since seen concentrated in a single place. This mutual passion for art and wisdom, this widely-shared curiosity and intellectual daring, was largely a result of the social system that Solon established, and that system was the highest form of democracy possible under the political and economic backwardness of the ancient world.

Solon's first step as a law-maker was to declare null and void all existing mortgages on land. He restored to the peasants any piece of ground which had been seized by their creditors. It had been also the custom for a loan to be advanced on the security of the borrower's person, he being sold into slavery if he could not pay up. But Solon made this illegal, and liberated all those who had thus forfeited their freedom.

Solon established a Council of Four Hundred, which was a senate or parliament elected by the people. He limited the power of the Aeropagus, an upper-class group which had the ancient right to administer justice, by instituting trial by jury, the jurors being drawn by lot from all classes.

Solon also reformed the marriage system, which had become sordid and dangerously commercialized, by completely abolishing the system of the tresspass and the dowry, so that men and women could marry for love.

His reform laws covered the whole range of life's eventualities literally from the cradle to the grave. It was their democratic spirit that laid the foundation of that violet-crowned city republic where the mind of man once attained a moment of clear and beautiful perfection.

SOLON led the people against the aristocratic oligarchy. If they asked him to become their "Tyrant," it was not because they failed to understand his democratic teachings. The word Tyrannos had a different meaning then; it simply meant Lord or Master. The characteristic of this kind of ruler was that he was placed in power by the people in a revolt against the oligarchy. He was a Napoleon in miniature, usually a wealthy businessman whom the people chose as an alternative to the nobles who scorned and abused them.

It is interesting to see how this descriptive word, Tyrant, has come to be synonymous through the years with oppression. Today we are plagued with a swarm of small and large Tyrants, and we have even, in free America, a quota of reactionary intellectuals who have begun to preach that democracy is a failure, and that in Tyranny is contained some magic formula for stable government.

But Solon answered these dim-witted, ignorant fools almost three thousand years ago, when he told them, "It seems like a fair estate for awhile, but there is no road down from it."

There is no road out for a Hitler or Mussolini but in war. A Tyrant must continually betray the people in order to preserve himself. And he leaves no way for the people to change their government, but by revolution—even the most legal-minded German and Italian liberals say this today.

Dictatorship is the most costly and clumsy system of government humanity has tried. It has always ended in failure and tragedy, and the time draws near when we will see the greatest of demonstrations of this. Is there an insurance company in the world that would write a policy today, at any premium, on the life of the dictators, or the bloody system they have devised?

On the Radio

SHORTWAVE BAND
Radio Center, Moscow, 4:00 A.M. 15.317
Megacycles: 8:00 P.M. 6.030, 9.800,
11.800, 15.217
Der Deutsche Freiheit Sender, 10.10 Megacycles, 4:00 P.M.
XEXA, Mexico, 6.173 Megacycles,
12:00 MIDL, "Good Neighbor"
Hour
DIAL READINGS
WMCA, 570 Kilocycles; WEAP, 680;
WOR, 710; WJZ, 760; WNYC, 810; WABC,
880; WLN, 1040; WINS, 1180; WQV, 1130;
WNEV, 1380; WVRD, 1380; WQXR, 1550.
MORNING
7:00-WNYC—Sunrise Symphony
7:30-WQXR—Breakfast Symphony
7:45-WABC—Morning News Report
8:00-WOR—Trans-Radio News
8:15-WNYC—N. Y. State Employment
Service and Consumers' Guide
8:30-WLN—D. P. News
8:45-WNYC—News and Around New York
Today
9:00-WNYC—World Fair News
9:00-WNYC—Masterwork Hour
9:30-WOR—Woman Make the News
9:45-WLN—D. P. News
10:00-WNYC—Board of Education
Program
11:00-WNYC—You and Your Health
11:45-WNYC—D. P. News
AFTERNOON
12:00-WNYC—Journal of Living
12:00-WNYC—Opening of Polish Pavilion
from Fair Grounds
12:30-WOR—Trans-Radio News
12:30-WNYC—National Fair and Home
Hour
12:45-WOR—Consumers Club Quiz
2:00-WJZ—"Your Health"
2:00-WNYC—Opera Hour
2:15-WLN—D. P. News
2:45-WABC—News
2:45-WOR—Trans-Radio News
2:45-WNYC—"According to Route,"
Baseball Preview
3:00-WNYC—General Federation of
Women's Clubs
3:00-WNYC—Opening of Netherlands
Pavilion
3:15-WOR—WN—Dodgers vs. Pittsburgh
Pirates
3:45-WABC—Giants vs. Cincinnati Reds
3:45-WNYC—News
4:00-WJZ—Club Matinee
4:00-WNYC—Four Strings at 4:00
4:00-WQXR—Music of the Moment
4:30-WNYC—Educational Series
4:30-WQXR—Hour of Symphony Music
4:30-WABC—News
4:30-WNYC—Concert Orchestra
4:30-WNYC—"The World Around Us"
4:30-WNYC—Street Interviews
4:30-WQXR—Young People's Concert in
Cooperation with New York Public
Library
4:45-WLN—D. P. News
4:45-WNYC—Man About Town
EVENING
6:00-WNYC—Our American Schools
6:00-WOR—Uncle Don
6:00-WNYC—"Your Home Town"
Newspaper
6:15-WABC—Music to Remember
6:15-WNYC—Associated Press News
6:30-WABC—Sports Talk
6:30-WNYC—Names Make News
6:30-WOR—Trans-Radio News
6:30-WABC—Sports Chat
6:30-WQXR—Marlin Meyer, Piano
Recital
6:45-WABC—Bill Stern's Scrapbook
6:45-WNYC—News
6:45-WLN—Dick Fishell, Sports Reunion
7:00-WNYC—"Mr. District Attorney"
7:00-WOR—Stan Loggin, Sports Review
7:15-WQXR—Easy Aces
7:15-WQXR—Gilbert and Sullivan Hour
7:15-WNYC—Request of Masterwork Hour
7:15-WABC—"Five-Star Final"
7:15-WOR—Albert Mitchell, Answerman
7:15-WNYC—Today's Baseball
7:30-WABC—"The Revelers," Male
Quartet
7:30-WABC—Ask It Basket
7:30-WJZ—George Jessel, Review
7:30-WNYC—George Hamilton Combs,

They'll Swing in 'Swing America'

Y.C.L. Presents a
Gala Revue at
Garden Celebration

By Abel Gorham

Hold tight! Hold tight! Hold tight! Bring some rosin-n-n-n, comrades, so you won't be sliding out of your seats in Madison Square Garden Thursday, May 11, at the 9th National Convention of the Young Communist League. The kids will be kicking out that evening with song and dance enough to turn every licker into an alligator.

After visiting the woodshed with Pearl Mullin, production manager, and persisting through a rehearsal, I'm convinced that everybody over twenty-one is a greybeard. After two hours of practice, the jitterbugs organize a demonstration, and demand a rest. They win their demands. And what do they do? Sit down? No, sir! Those hep-cats tear around the floor, while the obliging musicians contribute a jam-session, pounding old 88, tickling the lickerie stick, stretching the slush-pump, and whipping the voodoo-bollers. Yes, sir, doing everything they've just been rehearsing!

When there's work to be done, the Y.C.L.ers do it. When there's something to be learned, they study it. And when play-time comes, there's nothing corny about them. They're real, and rounded out, and they've almost doubled their membership in the last two years. They're awake, and if they know the importance of a peace demonstration, collective security, increased NYA allotments, study groups, and collective cultural activities, they also know that America's youth plays, and that to play is to be alert and alive.

Sizzling Exhibition of Swing

The jitterbugs, under the direction of Mura Dehn and Annette Wolfe have cooked up a sizzling exhibition of swing. You may have



Y.C.L.ers going through their paces for the big swingaroo at Madison Square Garden Thursday, May 11.

heard it before, but you've never seen it. And they swing to their own lyrics, fresh as a prairie blizzard. "Come a mighty wind arisin' And it brought a new horizon. To the bosses it was p'isen, But we call it organization!"

The whole show is called "Swing America," and if they don't do that, at least they'll be rocking the Garden. The kids insist on inserting their own slogans, and every time the director, Harry Merrill, turns his back, a new song is written.

"Swing America, Swing America, Hear that good progressive beat, Swing the nation to its feet. Here's a tune to carry away, Here are the words you can borrow."

In addition to Earl Robinson's

full chorus of 150 voices, there will be two new songs introduced by the Negro choral group. Both have down to earth Negro themes:

"Gotta make a difference how a black man lives" and the other one a stirring call, "Ain't going to be no lynchin'."

no more

When I build the heaven that I'm fighting for!"

Revue Full of Tunesful Ditties

Earl Robinson's balloon-jumped army will offer his latest song, "Horace Greeley." Old Man Greeley would probably have preferred to call it "Go left young man, go left." Then the groaners, and the canaries will pair off to sing another premiere, "You Can't Live on Love." It's nothing for the long-haired boys, but the goggle-pipes and the iron horns won't worry about that. It's a bit advanced from the days of the sweet meaningless ditties, but

We're reshaping the world of today, And we're building the world of tomorrow!

"You've got to pay rent to beat the gutter, You've gotta have dough for bread and butter, Hugs and kisses are the fashion, But a steak must feed your passion."

You can't live on love. But you haven't seen anything until you've seen the kids swing a Hayride Scene. It's practically barrel-house when the belly-fiddle, and the groan-box get off. A groan-box is better known to you as a rock-crusher. ALL ABOARD!

Well, that's only a small idea of what'll be going on at the opening night of the Y.C.L. convention. There'll be no Tango, no Charleston, no Black Bottom, or Lindy Hop, Quadrille, Castle Walk, or Rumba. There'll be no Ragtime or Jazz. Just SWING AMERICA!

Angelo Herndon, Gil Green, and Carl Ross will be there. Earl Browder will deliver the keynote speech, "Reshaping the world of today; Building the world of tomorrow."

Twenty thousand others will be there examining the streamlining of the American youth movement. Only the ickies will stay home that night. What's an ickie? A square. You don't know what a square is? Boy, you sure are a solid drag!

Philadelphia Children's Dramatic Theatre Has the Grown-ups All Agog

By Lem Ward

I decided to take a trip down to Philadelphia and visit the New Theatre. I used to be the director, and every once in a while I get sort of homesick for the place. Besides, it is part of my job as a member of the National Executive of the New Theatre League to visit our groups.

Well, I opened the door and walked into the lobby.

The first thing that hit me was a very young blonde with big startled blue eyes. When I say young, I mean around the age of hair-ribbons, sashes and patent-leather Mary-Janes. She came about up to my hip pocket, and as she begged my pardon and dashed on, I suddenly became aware that the lobby was jammed with women and children—all sizes. My recollections of the New Theatre brought neither fond mamas nor advanced rompers to mind, yet it was the New Theatre!

Outside, the banner for "The Cradle Will Rock" unfurled its ad. Inside, familiar fixtures and layout conjured up the plays I had directed here, the disappointments and triumphs shared with other members. But this kindergarten array just didn't fit in.

Sees a Group of Dancing Children

Partly to escape the din and partly in search of a familiar face to fling questions at, I walked upstairs to the auditorium. Through the open door came music that changed its mood and tempo every few minutes. On the bare stage very small persons, barefoot, dressed in their school skirts and sweaters swayed rhythmically. From a corner of the stage, Ruth Schindler, one of Philadelphia's foremost modern dancers and the New Theatre's staff choreographer, flashed me a brief smile before explaining to the younger generation that they were a group of Spanish children dancing for the troops defending Madrid.

"Hope! Hope and gayety!" she chanted. They "got" it. Then they had to stop and pose while the flashlights of the photographers from the daily papers flashed in their serious, young faces.

I went downstairs and waded through the lobby. From a classroom came a voice bewailing the loss of a puppy. I stuck my head in the door. In the center of the room a boy, practically in tears and surrounded by a group of children was wailing. "No! No! I don't want another one. I'll never want another puppy as long as I live." An improvisation was evidently going on. Behind a desk friendly faces; members of the directorial staff of the New Theatre.

In the office I cornered a member of the business staff and got an explanation that made me very happy.

Those bright eyes peeping around corners, tousled curls, and freckle-sprinkled grins were applicants for the newest branch of the New Theatre. The establishment of a Children's Dramatic School operated entirely upon a scholarship basis.

Harriet Matthews, director of the children's school, shooed away a batch of youthful prodigies and told me this . . .

"Children love to act. It's a natural activity for them, satisfying creative thoughts of the world about them. We teach them Acting Technique, Speech, Movement and Dance, Make-up and Stagecraft. Along with the 'painless' absorption of knowledge of various techniques of stagecraft, dramatic literature and the social forces which it mirrors, these kids learn certain invaluable skills: the ability to talk clearly in sentences with adequate enunciation and pronunciation; poise; self-assurance; and creative expression. Equally important, character traits such as cooperation, self-control, perseverance, attention, and promptness are given meaning to the child when he sees how the success of the 'show' depends upon him."

Philadelphia Public, Private and Parochial Schools are enthusiastic about the plan. Teachers from all sections of the city have sent lists of nominees from the ages of 10 to 15 to the New Theatre for auditions. This is how the students are chosen. These teachers are voluntarily assisting with the auditions. As the principal of one public school said:

"The New Theatre has become a force for social progress in our community and is now filling a vital need in establishing a Children's Theatre School. It is to be commended for having recognized that many of the most talented children do not have the ability to pay, and offering scholarships to them."

Of the 150 applicants, 35 have already been accepted. At the end of the 15-week course the students will write, stage and act their own original play.

While I sat in the office listening to this exciting news, one of the mothers came in and asked to be allowed to join the New Theatre. She gave her age as 40 and offered to "do anything useful."

It was told me that the 32nd performance of "The Cradle Will Rock"—a potential full-house was to be given that night. I decided to stay and see it.

It was not given! When I arrived in the evening I found a doleful and sadly dejected council. It appeared that Ben Low, who plays "Larry Foreman" in the "Cradle Will Rock," was downed by gripe. The previous performance he had gallantly played in spite of a severe sore-throat that made his already deep voice two notes lower.

It was bad enough to call off that night's performance; but the following night was also a sold out house. To call off two performances was something that had never happened in the history of the Philadelphia New Theatre.

Then somebody thought of Herb Hoffman, who works on the Publicity Committee. He was called in, handed the script, given until curtain time the following night to learn it. He came through brilliantly.

Two students of the Children's Dramatic School, a new branch of the New Theatre League of Philadelphia.

Exhibition at the World's Fair--Other Art News

The contemporary art exhibition at the New York World's Fair is now on view. No one who goes there should miss seeing it. Here is an art show which truly represents the American artists, both esthetically and organizationally. The original Fair plans did not provide for a contemporary art exhibit, an under-estimation of the role of the artist in the life of the country. This re-estimation made it possible for the progressive forces in all art organizations to bring together the artists' groups in a protest that battered down formidable opposition. The inevitable result of this united front was that for the first time an exhibition of such magnitude had a democratically chosen jury of artists that selected the exhibitors. . . .

"World's Fairs of Yesteryear," which will open at the Brooklyn Museum on May 5, is a noteworthy documentary exhibit. Those interested will find data on The Crystal Palace Exposition, London, 1851; the Philadelphia Centennial Exposition, 1876; and the World's Columbian Exposition, Chicago, 1893. An exhibition of the "Guernica" mural by Picasso, under the sponsorship of the American Artists' Congress, will open on May 4, at the Valentine Gallery. It will be shown for the benefit of the Spanish refugees. Mrs. James Roosevelt, mother of the President, is on the list of prominent individual sponsors. . . . Moses Soyer who has been showing steady progress is opening his show of paintings at the Macbeth Gallery. John Corbino's drawings will also be on view at the same gallery. . . . Other exhibits which opened this week include Ary Sillman's at the Babcock; and work by living Swiss painters at the Carnegie Hall Gallery. . . . Joseph Stella is exhibiting at the Newark Museum. . . . On Saturday, May 6, at 11 A. M., Goys and Daumier will be discussed at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. . . . Resettlement Administration photographs, mainly about share croppers and Dust Bowl victims are on view at the Photo League, 31 E. 21st Street. The hours are from 7 to 10 in the evening. . . . At Wildenstein there is a very interesting show, "Sources of Modern Art."

Robert Liebnicht's paintings are now on view at the A. G. A. Gallery. The son of the famous Karl Liebnicht is showing 10 canvases, most of which are street scenes. There is no trace of German influence in his work, whether by inclination or design it is difficult to say. Judging from his painting he is a sensitive artist, very honest, and very human. . . . At the same gallery exhibiting with Liebnicht are Selma Freeman Mason and Harriet Fitzgerald. Both won distinction last year in the gallery's third annual competitive exhibition for a first one-man show. Selma Freeman Hansen's work reveals her a gifted artist.

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PERSONAL---BUT NOT PRIVATE

By DAVE FARRELL

Dave Watches Pedro, Likes Him to Take Armstrong

I GOT my first good look at Pedro Montanez the other day when he beat our Mr. Young Peter Jackson over the ten heat route. I'd seen him work once before. But that was a one-round knockout over Wesley Ramey a couple of years ago. And in less than three full minutes one can't tell too much. All I could see was that he could hit like a pile-driver. But that isn't enough to tell whether a fighter has all the rest that he needs to snag a title.

A long time ago I got to bet a citizen, named Lester Rodney, a hat that Pedro was the boy to shear Henry Armstrong of his welter-weight title. Now after having had a real good look at Mr. Montanez in action I'll raise the ante and make our little wager include a nice new shiny walking stick, one calculated to make him (Rodney) the pet of 5th Avenue or me (Farrell) the toast of Brooklyn Avenue.

And I am willing to do this after having watched Montanez in a really tough go. Young Peter J. is a very curious fellow. Not so long ago I watched him clip Ceferino Garcia right on the chin and belt him into row B in the third round. I felt then that this was the boy who was going to be the Number One Man in the welters. But somehow he never got there. Just why, to this day I can't make it. I've heard any number of reasons given but none of them impressive enough to relate.

But one thing I do know and that is that Young Peter is a very cute fighter. He knows all the answers and the questions to. And the other night he made up his mind that there was one thing he was going to do, which was stay ten rounds with Mr. Pedro. And he fought that kind of a fight. He never opened up, took chances or tried to beat Montanez to a punch. With a long left he kept Montanez away and being a shifty canny fellow he didn't present too much of a target. Occasionally when an opportunity presented itself he threw punches which carried plenty of authority. That's what I saw out of Mr. Jackson.



CAN HE BEAT HENRY?
Pedro Montanez

On Mrs. Montanez's side I saw the most terrific body puncher at his weight in the business. And neither Armstrong nor anybody else is going to take 16 rounds of that kind of punishment without being slowed up. I will gamble a few shillings that Mr. Jackson was in no shape to go finale hopping on Central Avenue after his embroglio with Pedro the other night. And what's more I'll bet he didn't eat meat for two or three days.

In Pedro I saw a real smart ringman, quick as a panther to take any advantage of even a pinhole opening. He is a real cutie on his feet and can step around with the grace of a Nijinsky. But more than that he has requisite number one for a champion, a killer's instinct. This may sound like a dreadful thing to say of as nice a boy outside the ring as Pedro. In street clothes he's a real lamb, intelligent and progressive politically. But in the ring once he has his adversary in trouble, he's strictly the cynic. And that's as it should be. Because a fighter who hasn't that ferocity doesn't belong in the prize fight business.

Pedro has something else that's important for a big time fighter, a smart manager who is a square shooter. I have wasted enough time in the world of la boxe to have a definite opinion of managers. In my own small way I have even been a manager. At least I had a New York State license to manage, which I suppose made me a manager. And of the breed I will say this, that a scummler lot of parasites never existed. In all my days in tistianna I never met half a dozen men who "cut" a fighter that I'd let walk into my house. But Lew Burston, who guides Pedro, is one guy who could borrow my rent money. Burston is not only a canny citizen, always out to make plenty of bucks for his fighter and a few for himself. He's more than that. He stands in loco parentis and sees to it that his charges wind up with more than a set of added brains when they have to hang up the gloves for keeps. His fighters know it and respect him for it. And as a result he gets a type of fighter who isn't quite the mugg that we associate with denizens of the ring.

Lew has had such good fighters as Danny Frush, Rene Devos, Pete Santoli and has Al Davis at this writing. I don't know Davis but I did the others. Devos, who was robbed of the middleweight title by a dose of bolts, (two days before he fought Ace Hudkins he broke out badly and wouldn't call the fight off because of a \$17,000 purse) is a far more intelligent young man than Gene Tunney, highly publicized for his erudition. Santoli is a smart little shaver, who, when I saw him last, could sit down in anybody's living room and talk intelligently on any number of subjects. Pedro is really brilliant. I've talked on any number of subjects from the political setup in Spain to the dancing of Vicente Escudero and I've always enjoyed him. I don't wish to infer that Lew makes intellectuals out of his boys, but I do think he attracts a better type too his care.

All in all you may take it that I'm quite sold on Montanez, both as a fighter and as a man. And just as convinced as I that Pedro can take Armstrong, so sure am I that the fight will not be very good to look at for the average fighter who wants a slam-bang open type of fight. When Pedro and Henry fight it will be a battle of ingfighters. This is great for the fortunate few who sit down close, but not so good for those who have to sit way back. But that's another story altogether.

WHAT'S ON

Tonight
BRAHMS VIOLIN CONCERTO played, analyzed and discussed. Rudolf Janak.

Next Meeting Village Chapter
PALM-77 Fifth Ave., NYC. 8:30 P.M. James Benet of New Republic, Guest Speaker. Subject "WPA." Admission Free.

Coming
MEMORIAL MEETING—In Honor of Father and Son—Patsy and Annie Maudel. Friday, May 31st, 8 P.M. Ukrainian Hall, 85 East 4th St. NYC. Branch 18, I.W.O. & Maudel. Mandel Youth Branch. Admission Free.

Metropolitan Music School
presenting—Gertrude Rado, Pianist, in a program of Soviet Compositions. At New School for Social Research, 65 W. 12th St., NYC. Tickets 15c, 25c, and \$1.10. Available at Metropolitan Music School, 68 East 12th St., Saturday, May 31st, 9:30 P.M.

Come with Annie, Joan or June
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NEW YORK, WEDNESDAY, MAY 3, 1939

TUE-WENTY TWO
Well, Well, Maybe
The Yankees Aren't
Just a One Man
Team After All

YANKS 22, TIGERS 2! GEHRIG BENCHES SELF; GIANTS BEAT REDS, DODGERS LOSE, 3-2

Ott's Homer With 2 On, 2 Out in 9th Ends Long Losing Streak

Revised Line Up Clicks as Home Stand Opens—
Danning Homers as Giants Chase Derringer

Two out in the ninth and the 7th place Giants 2 runs behind the Reds. And even though Joe Moore and Harry Danning were on base and slugging Mel Ott was striding up to the plate, most of the Polo Ground audience yesterday were sadly marching out. After all the Reds had knocked out Terry's ace, in fact only pitcher, Harry Gumbert.

Pirates End Dodger Streak

Beat Fitz 3-2 as Klinger
Hurls Three
Hit Ball

Well, you can't win 'em all. The Brooklyn Dodgers, who had won four in a row to crash the first division after a faltering start, found that out yesterday at Ebbets Field when the lowly Pittsburgh Pirates edged them out, 3-2 in the first of a two game series that began the Western invasion.

Ol' Fred Fitzsimmons, pitching a typical game with lots of hits but few runs, revolved into the eighth inning with a 2-1 lead. Young had clouted a home-run in the second to put the Pirates ahead, 1-0. The Dodgers had come back in their half to go head to head with pitcher Klinger's wildness.

Gus Suhr opened the fateful inning with a double off the right field wall, the ninth hit off Freddy. He got Handley on a fly, and then Brubaker lined one past Lavagetto into left for another two-bagger, scoring Suhr with the tying run. Key went back for Berres' long liner, but Lloyd Waner's hit to right sent, in the deciding tally.

Klinger got the Dodgers 1-2-3 in the ninth. The Dodger runs in the second came when Camilli drew the first of his two walks, Moore forced him. Lazzeri doubled deep to left center, sending Moore to third, Todd walked, filling the bases. Fitz walked to force one in and Klinger fumbled Rosen's tricky roller to let another in. The Pirates really deserved this game, Klinger outgunninging Fitz by a goodly margin.

Can't win 'em all. Mungo today.

**Baer-Nova Sign;
Max Looks Good**

Max Baer and Lou Nova, who fight here June 1 to determine a September opponent for Joe Louis, deserted their country training camps yesterday to come here and sign.

Baer, who has completed the "lengthening up" stage of his training campaign, began serious work this week, and he appeared in the best condition of his career. Although he has not boxed in six months, Maxie sparred effectively against an assortment of mates.

His brittle hands seemed to have healed completely and he was punching hard with both mitts. He set a fast pace, but he did not tire noticeably. He weighed 216 after the workout, and he plans to take off about six before he meets Nova.

"There is no more fundamental Party work than the building of the Daily Worker"—Earl Browder.

LITTLE LEFTY

SORRY FELLERS,
BUT MY MIND'S MADE
UP -- "THE TIME HAS
COME FOR ME TO
GO BACK TO MY
OWN PEOPLE!"

WHO KNOWS BUT HITLER'LL
WANT TO SOBBLE UP LOCH
NESS ON ACCOUNT OF SOME
SER-GEANT'S HAVING GERMAN
BLOOD AND STUFF?

So you're going
back to Scotland!

whose bright idea was it
to reach her to read
this paper?

YOU KNOW HOW WE
HATE TO PART WITH
YOU--

--BUT THERE'S ONE
THING THAT MAKES
US HAPPY--MAYBE
SOME DAY WHEN
YOU'RE BACK IN
THE SER--

--MAYBE YOU'LL
RUN ACROSS HITLER
IN A SUBMARINE!

LAYS DOWN WAR CLUBS AFTER 2,130 STRAIGHT GAMES



"It'll be best for the team," said Lou Gehrig as he voluntarily benched himself yesterday.

Woods Picked Over Blair In Garden Fight Tonite

'Popeye' Hits Too Hard for Upset Kid—Scalzo,
Fontana, Stolz in Sparkling Prelim
Card—\$3 Tops

By Stan Kurman
Gashouse Popeye Woods is set to turn back Frankie Blair, the upset kid, in the feature 10-rounder at Madison Square Garden tonight.

Frankie licked Glen Lee and Cal Cagni at sucker odds in recent fights and is hailed as the New Cinderella Man, after Jim Braddock who climbed from home relief to the world's heavyweight championship.

But Woods rates too tough for the Camden middleweight. Popeye carries a terrific punch and has corrected most of the boxing flaws which marred his earlier appearances. Woods scored decisively over Paul Mahoney in his first local showing following a successful Australian tour. It's Woods by decision.

Pete Scalzo, high-ranking West Side feather who has kayeed "champ" Joey Archibald, takes on Al Mancini, just up from the banter, where he made a swell showing, beating titlist Sixto and Canadian champ Baby Yack. The Hell's Kitchen slugger figures too tough for Mancini.

Fast-coming Joey Fontana, who recently stopped clever Alie Stolz and his sensational win streak, Jersey lightweight in another 8. Sharkey has scored twice over the Brooklyn kid but Fontana is smarter and the prediction is that he'll take this one.

Stolz will try to get back to the win column against vet. Ginger Poran, smart English lightweight. Stolz is the pick against the light-hitting Poran but it will be close. Joe Ionotti, Bronx feather, is paired with Harlem's Pat Celli in the opening 4 on the swell Garden card. Tix range from a fair-priced \$3.00 ringside down to a buck general admission.

RINGSIDE RAMBLES: Jim Braddock, broke again, is going to "come back"... Jimmy Jones, Balti-

Champs Crush Tigers In Terrific Barrage As Ruffing Twirls

Iron Man Lou Breaks 13 Years Consecutive Streak—Selkirk, Dahlgren, Keller, Henrick Homer in Bombardment

DETROIT, May 2. — It's hard to know which to put first, the news that Lou Gehrig voluntarily ended his consecutive streak of 2,130 games today, or that the supposedly crippled Yankees teed off and made mincemeat of the Detroit Tigers here today by the amazing score of 22-2 behind the supposedly lame-armed Red Ruffing.

MAJOR LEAGUE STANDINGS

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
Team	W.	L.	Pct.
NEW YORK	6	3	.667
Chicago	7	4	.636
Boston	5	3	.625
Washington	6	4	.600
Detroit	6	6	.500
Cleveland	4	6	.400
St. Louis	4	6	.400
Philadelphia	2	8	.200

GAMES TODAY
New York at Detroit
Boston at Cleveland
Philadelphia at Chicago
Washington at St. Louis

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Team	W.	L.	Pct.
Boston	8	4	.667
Cincinnati	6	4	.600
St. Louis	6	4	.600
Chicago	6	5	.545
BROOKLYN	5	5	.500
Philadelphia	5	6	.455
NEW YORK	4	7	.364
Pittsburgh	3	8	.273

Cincinnati at Polo Grounds
Pittsburgh at Ebbets Field
Chicago at Philadelphia
St. Louis at Boston

Scores

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
Cincinnati	9	100	381-1111
NEW YORK	6	101	000-8150
Gerringer, Thompson (7)	and Lombardi;		
Gumbert, Coffman (7)	and Danning;		
Pittsburgh	6	100	078-1111
BROOKLYN	6	100	000-2111
Klinger and Berres;			
Philadelphia	6	100	000-1411
Philadelphia	6	100	000-8111
Harrell, Russell (7)	and Hartnett;		
St. Louis	6	100	000-2111
Boston	6	100	000-1111
Borman, Wernke (8)	and Frank, Owen		
(7); MacFayden and Loper.			

AMERICAN LEAGUE
Philadelphia 600 000 100-1411
Chicago 600 000 000-4111
Farmelee, Beckman (7) and Hayes;
Lyons and Silverst.

Boston at Cleveland postponed, cold weather.

On the Scoreboard With Rodney

DODGER FAN: "When are you guys going to get a ball club, buddy?"

GIANT FAN: "Aw now, you just wait. We got a better ball club than you think. We'll catch you guys yet. Our pitching--"

D. F.: "Cut it out. I'm dying. Why, outside of Gumbert you haven't got a pitcher who rates with four of ours."

G. F. (defiantly but nervously): "What four?"

D. F.: "Hamlin, Wyatt, Mungo, Fitz by the way, wouldn't old fat-faced Terry like to have Fitz back?"

F.: "Fitz for Baker--ha, ha, that was a beaut. You know I'm getting to feel sorry for you, guys... lookit that infield... why, our sub Hudson would be the best man there... Bonura, clumsy castoff..."

Whitehead 240 hitting convalescent, Jurgens 224 hitter... Myatt, you guys always so optimistic... that minor leaguer from Jersey... he's five years away... we'll buy him for Elmira... and hey, I see Lieber is hitting for the Cubs and Demaree isn't even in your line-up any more... and Bartell looks pretty good, he musta faked that arthritis thing to kid Terry... and old Macpucio is catching every day and I see O'Dea hanging on to batting practice with you... what'll you do if Danning gets hurt again? The nerve of you guys talking pennant... that infield... comparing it to ours... and, aw, what's the use of talking to you, Giant fan."

G. F.: "Now listen, O'Dea is young and..."

D. F.: "Yeah, I know you guys... Wait'll next year. So long chump... by the way, are the Giants still in the League?"

Chance for a real revision in the National League standings this year... a first division with Boston, Brooklyn, Cincinnati and Chicago... with Pittsburgh, Giants, Cards fighting it out with the Phils... some fun and about time (if it lasts)...

... now to pep up the American League you-know-how... battle's for Washington--Kraakus and GIBSON.

Watch for voluntary gesture of Lou Gehrig to take himself out of line-up for while if Yanks keep going bad... heart warming tribute of Chicago fans to turn out to number of 25,000 at Sox-Cub exhibition for Monty Stratton, young Sox ace who lost leg last winter... every penny at box office, for scorecard, hot dogs, etc... fans came out for Stratton... exhibitions lose interest after season starts... and it was cold, windy day... nice of Cubs to go into game on open day... good boys, and know what being through at 26 means to ball player... and note, Diz Dean still got nothing... "arm sore as hell," he said, really discouraged for first time... Diz has said out loud that over-work at St. Loo did him in... doctors made same analysis of arm... Babe Phelps now out again, this time with banged up middle finger... skipped sequence, have to go back for index finger later...

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